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Soviet expected to lower exit tax within 6 months

WASHINGTON (JCNS) -

According to usually reliable sources here, the Soviet Union is expected to lower the "diploma tax" for Jews applying for exit visas within the next six months. These sources say that Russia wants to normalize relations with Israel.

Apparently the Soviets recognize that the current "head tax" is abnormally high but the rate represents the "first price" in what the Russians expect to be fierce bargaining with world Jewry.

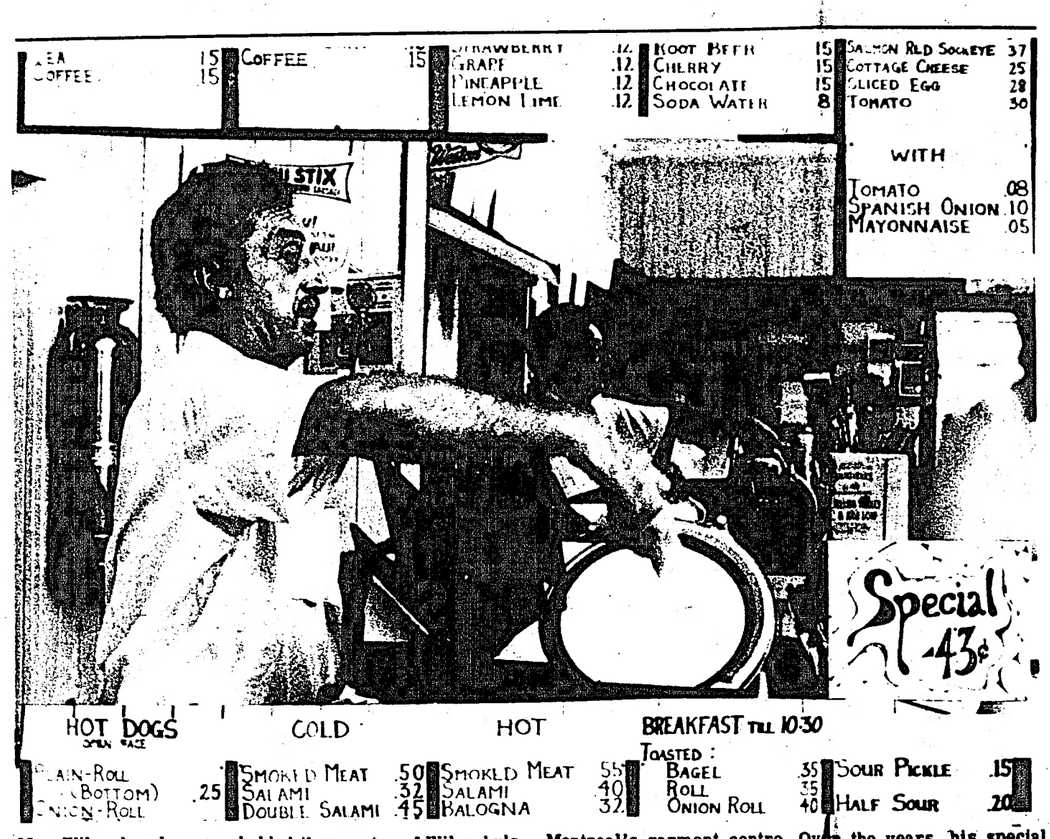
The Russians are determined to extract some advantage from Jewish philanthropic sources because of both financial need and ideological considerations. Congressional and administrative informants believe the Russians are not averse to linking the ransom to the U.S. - USSR trade package, which may amount to several million dollars.

To make such enormous purchases - from grain to entire factories - the Soviets need credits and preferential tariff rates for their exports to the U.S. These in turn require congressional approval. Senator Abe Ribicoff (Dem.-Connecticut) has pledged to fight every concessionary measure unless and until the ransom demand is rescinded.

According to well connected Communist sources, the Kremlin is prepared to consider a number of alternatives to cash, including the linkage of the "head tax" to repayment of the multi-billion dollar Soviet debt from the Second World War.

Russian officials are telling the Americans of their intention to cut a lower profile in Arab lands. The recent increase in Soviet support for Palestinians, Iraquis and Syrians is dismissed as unimportant.

The White House and the State Department are inclined to accept the Russian word but the Pentagon, as indicated by U.S. Defence Secretary Melvin Laird's statement on television, sees the Soviet build-up in Syria as serious and as an attempt to balance the strategic setback suffered in Egypt.



Moe Wilensky cleans up behind the counter of Wilensky's Light Lunch, a luncheon institution in the heart of Montreal's garment centre. Over the years, his special sandwiches have become a well-known feature. (Fine Photo)

It's not high style dining but patrons love Wilensky's

By MARK MEDICOFF
CJN Quebec Bureau Chief

MONTREAL -

Although Wilensky's Light Lunch will never be reviewed by the culinary experts of this city's daily newspapers, his 40 years of experience at making a unique combination sandwich has never been rivalled anywhere in North America - despite numerous attempts.

Moe Wilensky's shop is located at the corner of Clark Street and consists of only eight or nine stools parked in front of a long counter. At the far end of the room, book shelves line the wall, and, for 25 cents, old pocket books and magazines are sold - perhaps for customers to browse through while standing and eating.

These days many of the customers are the sons and daughters of pre-War Jewish immigrants who helped to make Wilensky's what it is today - a luncheon institution in the centre of Montreal's garment industry.

And if the garment industry has changed, along with the faces of Wilensky's clientele, Wilensky's has not.

For instance no bottled drinks are sold. Instead he uses the old "fountain drug store" method of soda water piped from casks in the basement and mixed with different flavored syrups.

The oak panelling on the walls may now be considered antique but it was new and inexpensive when Wilensky covered the walls with it 40 years ago.

Some years back, a few members from a B'nai B'rith Lodge were contemplating holding a fashion show while eating a "Wilensky's Special" - a formidable combination of a grilled roll and delicatessen meats.

An idea was born to photograph the entire lunch counter area, for a set for the vogue exhibition - the first time Wilensky ever wore a black tie and jacket to work.

Not so long ago, recalls Wilensky, a publisher held a party at his restaurant for the opening of a new book. Each year the Sun Street Organization - one of the first street recreation programs - hold their yearly get-together at the shop.

When Mordechai Richler comes to town he rarely fails to drop over for a special.

"I remember the old grandfather Richler," says the paunchy 60-year-old Wilensky, "a very religious man, and when he came in on a Saturday he wouldn't be carrying any money, so he would pay on a Monday."

Wilensky's was the kind of place where the old men of the area would congregate and gossip about the state of the world and Israel, but the old men have passed away and Wilensky closes early each day - at 6 o'clock.

"In those days the kids couldn't afford a ball, so what they would do is take a shmata, and make a ball out of it - and they weren't unhappy. There was always innovation. When you had the rare chance to make a couple of bucks washing someone's car, a kid would run in and grab a few friends," says the father of three boys and two girls who used to make their extra money helping him out in the store.

Now his children are grown and he has a teenage assistant. During the "rush hours" his wife comes in to give him a hand - but no one heats the specials or slices the meats but Wilensky, himself. Nobody would quite know how to do it.

What people are thinking about most, said Wilensky, is inflation, and other than Statistics Canada, no other place in Montreal more accurately measures the worth of a dollar than at Wilensky's Light Lunch.

"In 1939," he remembers, "when we first started to make the special it went for

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2,000 delegates from U.S., Canada to attend Funds General Assembly

TORONTO -

Close to 2,000 delegates, representing Jewish communities all over the United States and Canada, are expected to attend the 41st annual General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds in Toronto's Royal York Hotel, Nov. 8 to Nov. 12. The last time the General Assembly was held in Toronto was in 1956.

The council is the association of central community organizations - federations, welfare funds, community councils - serving 800 Jewish communities in the U.S. and Canada. The United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto is a member of the council and is serving as host for the assembly.

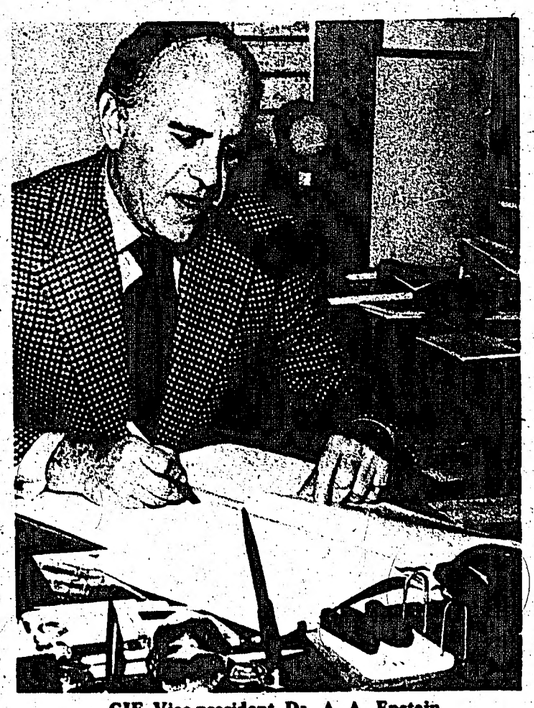
CJF vice-president Dr. A. A. Epstein, Toronto, is program chairman.

Through forums, workshops and plenary sessions, the delegates will discuss a wide range of topics covering Jewish life at home and overseas. A representative of the Government of Israel is scheduled to be a principal speaker but for security reasons the speaker's name has not yet been announced.

The CJF's concern with strengthening and enhancing the quality of Jewish life in North America will be manifested in a report from Prof. Leon A. Jick, director of the Institute for Jewish Life. The institute, a division of the CJF, was set up this year as the result of a decision taken at the last assembly.

Dr. Epstein said delegates "will put in a hard day's work" at the assembly. Some sessions will begin as early as 8 a.m. and as late as 10 p.m. About 50 workshop sessions are scheduled, and there will be four forums.

"I am confident the Assembly will be stimulating and productive," Dr. Epstein said.



CJF Vice-president Dr. A. A. Epstein

Speech on terrorism by Gromyko hailed as welcome surprise

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (JTA) -

The sharpest slap at Arab terrorism delivered by a Soviet spokesman at this or previous sessions of the United Nations, came last week from Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko in his address before the 27th session of the General Assembly.

Israeli diplomatic circles expressed keen satisfaction with the speeches of Gromyko and U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers, especially the Soviet foreign minister's speech which came as a welcome surprise.

The Soviet diplomat strongly condemned Arab terrorism, declaring his country opposes acts of terrorism which disrupt the diplomatic activity of states and "which serve no positive end and cause loss of human life." He called the slaying of 11 Israeli athletes at Munich "criminal actions which deal a death blow to the national interests and aspirations of the Palestinians."

He also appeared to be referring to Arab attacks on Israeli diplomats abroad by means of letter bombs.

But in commenting on Gromyko's words, Israeli observers cautioned that it remained to be seen whether the Soviet bloc would throw its support behind Rogers' urgent call for international conventions against terrorism, including provisions for the extradition and punishment of perpetrators and sanctions against countries aiding them.

Israel, for its part, strongly supports Rogers' proposals and is making every effort to publicize that fact. Observers here felt that Gromyko's statements reflected the extent to which the Black September group has alienated segments of world opinion hitherto sympathetic to their cause.

Other circles felt that the surprise Soviet shift on terrorism was another signal that Moscow wants to improve relations with Israel. Rogers' speech was praised here as much for what it omitted as for what it contained. Israeli sources pointed out that the Secretary did not mention his six-point proposal for a Middle East solution which he had brought up in his assembly speech last year. Israel at the time expressed strong reservations over Rogers' detailed initiative.

In his speech this week, Rogers concentrated on the need to crack down on terrorists and on an interim Suez agreement, views Israel shares.

Aimed at terrorists

Former Irgun chief held in arms smuggling plot

TEL AVIV (JCNS) -

Amihai Paglin, the former Irgun Zvai Leumi chief of operations, is confined to the Basel Hotel, Tel Aviv, after being ordered by the District Court to spend five days in the hotel under police custody. The court refused a police request to have Paglin jailed pending investigation of his suspected part in a Jewish Defence League plot to smuggle arms abroad.

His detention has brought the number in custody in connection with the alleged JDL plan to three. Yosef Schneider, the JDL's Jerusalem secretary, was arrested over the weekend and Avraham Hershkovitz has also been sent to prison. Rabbi Meir Kahane, head of the JDL, was questioned briefly by the police at the beginning of Succot.

Some of the arms that Paglin is suspected of trying to move out of Israel were manufactured by Israel Military Industries. The police would like to know how the JDL came into possession of them.

Police Minister Shlomo Hillel, said that the government would have to consider outlawing the JDL.

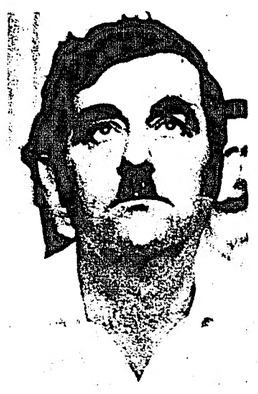
"We will not countenance exploitation of our democratic society for actions which are an outright violation of Israeli sovereignty," Hillel said.

The military authorities have also banned Rabbi Kahane and 20 of his followers from the occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip. The JDL has been deliberately provoking a confrontation in Hebron between Jews and Arabs.

Hillel said: "This is not Brooklyn and we will not operate by imported methods." He added that the JDL's actions were outright violations of Israel's sovereignty, and the government objected to the operations of underground organizations in Israel acting as if they were legally constituted governmental bodies.

According to police, Paglin packed a metal case containing two sub-machine guns, two pistols, hand grenades and ammunition intended to be smuggled to the United States for counter terrorist operations against the Arabs. The shipment was discovered at Lod airport.

Meanwhile the JDL plans to go ahead with a mock trial of Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'abari, the Mayor of Hebron, for his alleged part in the Hebron Jewish massacre of 1929. The JDL has rented the Journalists' Association hall of Beit Sokolov in Jerusalem for the trail. Sheikh Ja'abari has said he will not attend.



Amihai Paglin

Private wars against the terrorists have been condemned by the Deputy Premier Yigal Allon. He said Europe could easily stamp out terrorism if it found the courage to do so and Israeli security services could handle the problem which no other force had the political or operational capacity to do.

Allon said there was already progress in Europe and Israel was ready to offer assistance and her experience to fight terrorism without the involvement of political implications.

Seek recognition for time in prison

TEL AVIV (JTA) -

Jewish immigrants who served time in Soviet jails for alleged Zionist activities are demanding that the Israel government and the Jewish Agency extend them official recognition for the time they spent in prison.

Leaders of the Prisoners of Zion Association charged at a press conference that the finance ministry, so far, has blocked recognition of their imprisonment as "service as soldiers on the second front." They said they would appeal to the World Zionist executive for support.

on the wire

Police detain Kahane in anti-terrorist plot

JERUSALEM - Rabbi Meir Kahane, leader of the Jewish Defence League, was detained overnight by police in connection with an investigation into arms smuggling. Police seized arms and ammunition at Lod Airport as it was about to be shipped abroad for a private war against Arab terrorists. Several league members have been arrested. (Rabbi Kahane article on p. 5)

Water sabotage planned

TEL AVIV - Syria is reported to have established a maritime fedayeen unit to carry out sabotage against Israeli ships. The terrorists have established naval bases along coastal villages.

Students are jailed

TEL AVIV - Two ultra-orthodox rabbinical students were sentenced to 18 months and one year, respectively, for setting fire to the city's only sex boutique. The pair claimed they acted on "moral compulsion" as observant Jews.

Economic boycott

BEIRUT - Five thousand firms and brand names have been blacklisted by the Arab League because of investments in Israel.

Letter bombs intercepted

SYDNEY - Arab terrorist letter bombs sent to Israeli diplomats in Australia were intercepted after a postman saw a copper wire protruding from one letter. Five in all were found.

Incense altar dug up supports biblical passage

TEL AVIV (JCNS) –

A well-preserved incense altar dug up by archaeologists at Beersheba has supported the passage in the second book of Kings, in which King Josiah broke down "all altars of the gates where the priests had burned incense from Geva to Beersheba." (23: 8).

The excavations have been carried out by members of Tel Aviv university.

An archaeological team led by Professor Yohanan Aharoni has just completed its fourth consecutive season of unearthing Beersheba of the First Temple period – a typical provincial Israelite city of the ninth century BCE.

The altar was found near what appeared to have been the city gate. A similar structure was discovered among the ruins of ancient Dan, in the north, but it was supposed to have been a throne of sorts. The Beersheba dig has established that this was apparently one of the gate altars used in idol worship which King Josiah had ordered to be destroyed.

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This week's highlight:
Dr. G. Douglas Young: Christian's view on Middle East situation

Restored Sephardic synagogues opened in Jerusalem's Old City

JERUSALEM (JCNS) –

A quarter of a century after their capture by Jordan and their subsequent desecration, four Sephardic synagogues in the Old City were officially opened last week.

The dedication ceremony marking the completion of five years' restoration work was attended by hundreds of dignitaries headed by President Shazar and Prime Minister Mrs. Meir.

The synagogue complex was in the heart of Jerusalem's Jewish community for 400 years until the surrender of the Old City during the War of Independence when the civilian population took shelter in the synagogues during the fighting and from there many were led into captivity.

Danes split over rabbi's resignation

COPENHAGEN (JTA) –

Denmark's Chief Rabbi Bent Melchior has resigned amid a controversy that threatens to split this country's small but closely knit Jewish community. The 43-year-old rabbi, immensely popular with Jews and non-Jews alike, submitted his resignation after a conflict with Prof. Isi Foigl, chairman of the Jewish community.

Prof. Foigl objected to Rabbi Melchior's recent public appeal to the Danish government to recall its ambassadors from Arab countries that support Palestinian terrorists.

Rabbi Melchior made the proposal following the Sept. 5 Munich outrage. The rabbi told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he would withdraw his resignation only if a majority of the Jewish community supported him. Considering the storm of protest that arose when his resignation was announced, Rabbi Melchior enjoys substantial support.

Wilensky's

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12 cents, and now they go for 43 cents."

Nickel drinks now sell for 12 cents, and when you ask for mustard or ketchup the eater of the rare delicacy must fork over an additional two cents.

"There's something that brings people back," he says. "Maybe its old times, maybe they have a barber or tailor in the neighborhood – but there's something that brings a person back to a place of memories."

A poster drawn by Wilensky's teen-age granddaughter, and hung in a very prominent spot on the wall, perhaps provides the answer: "You're at Wilensky's, the special-ist."

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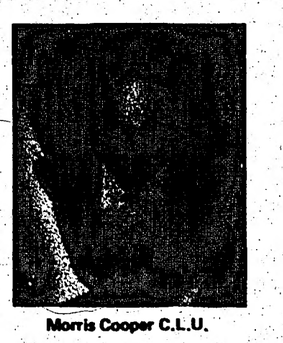
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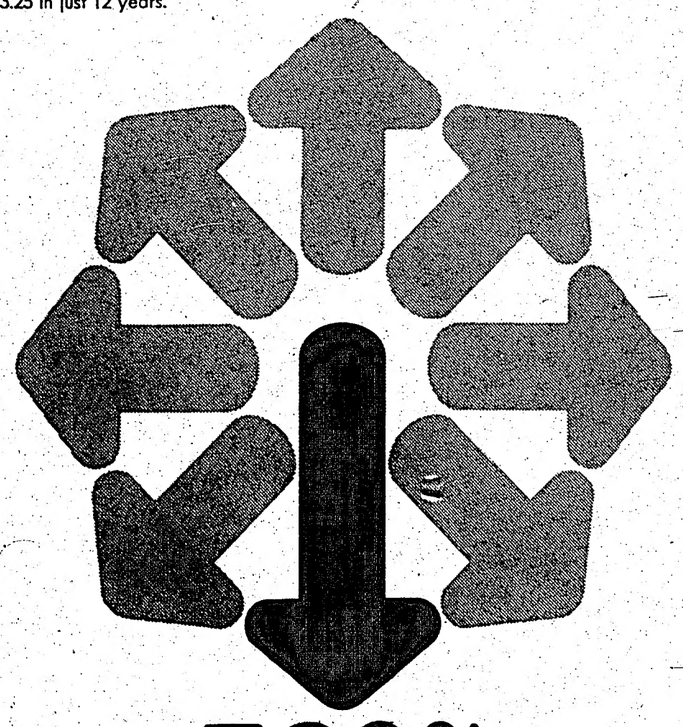

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Organizations and People

what's new . . .

by Miriam Herman

SYMPOSIAC '72

Sunday, Oct. 15, is the date of Symposiac '72, annual all-day meeting of B'nai B'rith's League for Human Rights. It is being held at the Inn on the Park, Eglinton Ave. and Leslie St., from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. On the agenda is a salute to the Anti-Defamation League with guest of honor Benjamin Epstein, ADL national director, as luncheon speaker.

MEETING ON YOUTH

The Parent's Association of the Associated Hebrew Schools is holding their opening general meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 17, at 8:30 p.m. in the school auditorium on Bathurst St. A panel discussion **Let's Talk About Jewish Youth Groups and the Jesus Movement** will be presented with panelists Dr. Leo Davids, associate professor of sociology at York University; Dr. Leo Lazar, chief of psychology, children and adolescent department, Clarke Institute; and Rabbi J. Immanuel Schochet, Kielcer Synagogue. Representatives of many Jewish youth groups will be on hand for the question and answer period. The community is invited to attend.

ACADEMY OF JUDAISM

The Academy of Judaism, sponsored by the Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations through its constituent members in the Toronto-Hamilton area, begins on Monday, Oct. 16, and continues every Monday at 8:30 p.m. through to Dec. 4. All sessions are at Holy Blossom Temple, Bathurst St. Lecturers are Rabbis Bernard Baskin, Stephen Franklin, Jordan Pearlson, Michael Stroh; Professors Frank Talmadge and Benjamin Schlesinger; and Heinz Warschauer, education director at the temple.

LECTURE SERIES

A reminder that the Labor Zionist Alliance (Toronto) 1972-73 lecture series commences Tuesday, Oct. 16. Lectures are scheduled for 8:30 p.m. at their centre on Viewmount Ave., on alternate Tuesdays thereafter through to May. All sessions are open to the public. Other programs being offered by the organization – Bible and Mishna study, Israeli folk dance, and Hebrew classes.

HADASSAH BAZAAR

In keeping with the theme, **A Family Affair**, the members of Toronto's 72 chapters of Hadassah are co-ordinating their efforts to make Hadassah Bazaar '72 another huge success. This year's all-day sale, under the co-chairmanship of Gail Klebanoff and Yetta Orfus, is on Wednesday, Oct. 25, from 9:30 to 11 p.m. at the Automotive Bldg., Exhibition Park.

PLIGHT OF SOVIET JEWS

Dr. Murray Freedman, professor of biochemistry at the University of Toronto who recently attended an international biophysics congress in Moscow and also visited Kiev and Leningrad, will be speaking to a combined meeting of Ajalon Lodge and Toronto Zionist Council on Tuesday, Oct. 10, at the Zionist Centre. His subject will be **Life in Russia and the Plight of Russian Jews.**

HOSPITAL MEETING

The autumn meeting of the women's auxiliary of New Mount Sinai Hospital takes place on Wednesday, Oct. 11, at 1:00 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, Bathurst St. Guest speaker is Dr. Joseph B. Houpt, director of the tri-hospital Rheumatic Disease Unit at the University of Toronto. His topic – **Arthritis – Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow from Copper Bracelets to Lysosomes.**

SUNDAY MORNING CLUB

Beth Sholom Brotherhood's Tefillin and Breakfast Club starts the season this Sunday, Oct. 8, at 9:30 a.m. with guest speaker Rabbi Meir Irving Gottesman, the synagogue's new assistant rabbi and director of education. The club meets every Sunday morning at the synagogue on Eglinton Ave., and the meetings are open to the community.

PROGRAM CHANGE

A change in program for the Canadian Association for Israel Philately meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 10 – The speaker is to be A. Ben-David on the subject, **Haifa, 1948.**

THE WOMEN'S VOTE

A poll of 5,000 U.S. young women conducted by Glamor Magazine reveals that 85% of the participants would vote for a Jewish presidential candidate.

ORGANIZING DAY CENTRE

The Toronto Jewish Association of Hungarian Descent is organizing a New Horizons Day Centre for retired people over 55 years of age. Plans for the centre were started following announcement by John Munro, Minister of National Health and Welfare, of a new program for the benefit of retired Canadians. There will be an open meeting this Sunday at the Habonim Hall, 12 Hollaman Road, location of the centre, from five to eight p.m., to acquaint interested persons with information concerning the project.

Bessin criticizes Canada for Munich stand

From our Quebec Bureau

MONTREAL –

Criticism of the Canadian government for its failure to condemn outright those Arab nations which gave sanctuary to the Munich terrorists, was voiced here by Hyman Bessin, president of the Canadian Zionist Federation. He spoke at the torch-light ceremony which inaugurated the Canadian celebration of Israel's silver anniversary.

Bessin told 150 people attending the hour-long ceremony at the Dorval Hilton that Canada and other countries must have the courage to break ties with any country harboring or supporting terrorist activities.

The Zionist leader said efforts of Canadian Jewish Congress to discuss the issue with Prime Minister Trudeau have not been successful.

Hyman Bessin

With terrorist activities taking place in Munich, Amsterdam, London, Ottawa, and Montreal, Bessin said: "the borders now stretch to every hamlet where Jews live."

Also present at the ceremony were Postmaster General Jean-Pierre Cote, representing the federal government; Senator Therese Casgrain, for the provincial government, Dr. Theodor Meron, Israeli ambassador to Canada, and Alderman Abraham Cohen of the City of Montreal.

Prior to the ceremony, a meeting of the anniversary planning committee – under the chairmanship of Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut – was held at the airport hotel.

Rabbi Plaut said each city will be arranging their own plans, and will include sending the torch from synagogue to synagogue, school-to school, to explain the significance of the 25th anniversary of Israeli statehood.

"There is something unique about the relationship of Israel with the Jewish people, for to us it means the assurance of Jewish survival," he said.

Toronto rabbis criticize survey

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO –

A Montreal survey which found that not one of that city's rabbis was included in the list of the top 33 leaders, would not be duplicated in Toronto, according to rabbis interviewed here.

The total exclusion of rabbis from Montreal's list of most influential leaders failed to dismay local occupiers of leading pulpits. All felt that such a survey here would produce entirely different results.

The rabbis were curious about the type of questions used in the survey conducted by Dr. Edmond Lipsitz, now director of education for Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region.

Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, of Holy Blossom Temple, wanted to know in what way were the Montreal leaders regarded as being most influential. "Was it in honestry, integrity, learning, money, political influence?"

Rabbi Stuart E. Rosenberg, of Beth Tzedec Synagogue, cautioned that such a study should take into account "the difference between power and influence."

It was in the area of influence that the Toronto rabbis interviewed felt they could contribute most to Toronto Jewry. As Rabbi Michael Stroh, of Har Zion Temple put it: "A highly polished system of raising money now exists, but, if Jews are to survive, they must preserve Jewish tradition. It is in this area that rabbis cannot only lead but can aid lay leaders to achieve this goal."

The conviction of Rabbi Michael Brown, of York University, is that when it comes to fund raising, "rabbis are not leaders." He feels a rabbi has a dual function; to act as a storehouse of Jewish knowledge, an expert in Jewish learning, and to be a moral example, "the epitome of what Jewish life can be."

All rabbis agreed that fund raising is important. But in terms of a personal role, they stressed the significance of their role as educators. They felt it is not enough to raise money for Jewish concerns unless Jewish identity is continually strengthened.

. . . about people

Toronto lawyer **Robert Hall**, who is chairman of the **Shalom** television committee, joins the program's on-the-screen team as newscaster. Also in this season's Shalom line-up – program co-ordinator **Joanne Ruderfer** who will also be conducting interviews; CJN Managing Editor **Sol I. Littman** as bi-weekly commentator on world Jewish affairs; **Noemi Lieberman** continues with the Hebrew segment assisted by puppeteer **Bernard Tallez**; and **Hanoch Rizman** is producer-director of the show which is produced by the Zionist Organization of Canada. By the way, Hall is the brother of television **game** show host **Monty Hall.**

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Saul Landa

Saul Landa, recently appointed national director of Canadian Young Judaea, hails from Edmonton where he was active in the youth movement for many years. A graduate of the University of Alberta, he was in Israel for a year as liaison responsible for the Young Judaea groups at the Hebrew University and the Institute for Young Leaders at Katamon. He has been an instructor in an experimental teacher education program for Indian and Eskimo students in the Northwest Territories and of the Young Judaea leadership training spent the past three summers as director young son – are now living in Toronto where he directs the national office.

Six Toronto couples have just returned from one of those unforgettable weekends in New York that includes night club hopping at the Copacabana and the Friars Club. Actually, for **Ruth and Morris Kerbel, Dave and Babs Usher, Jack and Rita Ritchie, Edith and Milton Davis, Eve and Hank Silver, and Fran and Al Spring,** it was all part of the 70th birthday festivities for their friend, Fanny Cornstein of New York. They had met Mrs. Cornstein in Acapulco 14 years ago and had maintained the friendship with her ever since. In fact they joined her many friends, some from as far away as Mexico, Miami and Chicago, in the celebration.

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Freelance writer **Linda Shapiro** is handling public relations for the underwater adventure film **The Neptune Factor – An Undersea Odyssey** being filmed in Halifax, Freeport, Caymen Islands as well as studios in Toronto. Quadrant Films president **David Perlmutter** and Bellevue-Pathe president **Harold Greenberg** are executive producers of the movie with a cast of Hollywood stars: **Ben Gazzara, Ernest Borgnine, Yvette Mimieux** and **Walter Pidgeon.** Miss Shapiro also did the PR for **Wedding in White,** filmed in Toronto and opening here this month.

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Albert J. Latner officiates at the opening of the Sculptor's Society of Canada show on Oct. 15. **Sculpture for the City,** as the show is being called, will be set in the main lobby and courtyard of the Toronto Dominion Centre and is to run to Nov. 13.

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Former Montreal attorney **Gabriel Glazer,** now practicing law in Tel Aviv where he has been living for the past eight years, is president of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel, which represents 25,000 North Americans residing in Israel.

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Lynne Wynick and **David Tuck's** Aggregation Gallery opened at its new location on Front St. E. this week with a one-man show by **David Barnett** plus the works of other artists represented by the gallery. Showing only the work of Canadian artists, the gallery has expanded to provide two separate gallery areas and an additional small space for graphics.

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They play well, but treatment of Jews tarnishes their record

Thousands upon thousands of Canadians gathered in the drenching rain last Sunday in Nathan Phillips square to congratulate the members of a victorious Team Canada.

Part of the joy expressed was due to the narrowness of the victory, the close escape from defeat and the drama of surging from behind.

Some of it came from the fact that Canadians seldom have any national events to cheer about or heroes to honor. We become almost pathetic in our eagerness to adulate some young girl who is the first to swim Lake Ontario or to win an Olympic gold medal for skiing.

Many Canadians felt that the Canada-Russia hockey series should have, in all justice, ended in a tie. The two teams were so closely matched that only a single goal separated them after 8 games. A single desperate effort by a Team Canada member, in the last half-minute of the series, permitted us to claim we had won.

But did we really win? The Russians had originally been eager for the series because they hoped to learn a great deal about hockey from playing against players of NHL calibre. The Canadians were also eager because they wished to give the Russian hockey upstarts a lesson. In the end, it was the NHL players who learned about hockey from the Russians.

The USSR has produced much that the world has come to admire. First class hockey teams are in reality only a minor accomplishment. It is, therefore, all the more demeaning to the Soviet system and the Russian people to engage in the persecution of its Jewish minority.

The admiration which the Russians might have won for their achievements has been tainted by the cruelties they have imposed on their people. To hold human beings for ransom, to prevent them from leaving the country, is a medieval practice hardly suitable for a nation claiming the inspiration of both science and socialism.

Hail Yakushev, Maltsev, Kharmalov, and Tretiak and in the name of all that is sportsmanlike, civilized and decent, let my people go!

Israel Chief of Staff David Elazar visits soldier wounded during the action against terrorists in Lebanon. The cast on Elazar's arm is because of a tennis injury. (IPPA Photo)

Israel's grandma premier plans to retire for well deserved rest

So Grandmother Golda is going to retire. She said so in a London television program several days ago, and it must be accepted that the lady Prime Minister of all the Israelis will hand over the reins of office to another.

Of course, being a lady, Golda Meir may change her mind. If she does, it is most unlikely that the Israelis will not give her a renewed vote of confidence. When she succeeded the late Levi Eshkol as Prime Minister of Israel, few thought the onetime school teacher would be much more than a caretaker leader, to be replaced by a male at the first opportunity.

Golda Meir quickly demonstrated that she was as capable as any man for what has been termed one of the most pressure-filled jobs in the world. She has led the nation with flair and dignity and with a remarkable understanding of the political realities and the problems besetting the infant state.

One of her major assets is her ability to relate to ordinary people, to communicate with them, to share their joys and their sorrows. She has not allowed her position as national leader to alienate her from the people in whose name she acts and whom she serves, and that, perhaps, is one of the reasons for her deserved popularity, and for the affection the Israelis have for her.

At the age of 74, the Prime Minister has earned a rest from the cares of office. When she does step down, it will be with the knowledge that much has been accomplished during her years at the helm. Articulate, intelligent, compassionate and very much a sensitive human being, Golda Meir has served her people with wholehearted dedication.

What about her successor? The name that comes most readily to mind is that of Moshe Dayan, the defence minister and military hero. His popularity is second only to Meir's. Whoever gets the call will be confronted with tasks of just as great a magnitude as those that faced the elderly woman when she took office. It is the fervent hope of Jews everywhere that her successor will be the same unifying force that she was in her distinguished career.

Appeal's 32nd year

Montreal must bear its share in contributing to CJA-ISF drive

The sense of community has no stronger advocate than the Jew who, after centuries of dealing with problems on a united, communal basis, annually funds its work in meeting human needs in Montreal through the Combined Jewish Appeal and Israel Emergency Fund.

The Combined Appeal, now in its 32nd year and a pioneer in Canadian United Fund efforts, is the fund-raising arm of Allied Jewish Community Services and its 21 member agencies. They in turn serve the 124,000-member Jewish community network of health, social, cultural and recreational services.

The problems of the general community are reflected in the needs of the Jewish segment of the population.

Poverty affects one Jewish family in six (nearly 20,000 people by a recent survey)... the stress on the family unit in company with the problems of a troubled youth ... the growing needs of increasingly numerous elderly ... shape critical demands on communal agencies with responsibilities in this area. Many such needs are being met with increasingly sophisticated techniques and programs.

The Combined Appeal has an unusual dimension. Jewish concern is not confined to the boundaries of Montreal or even Canada. There is deep concern about Jews in trouble the world over, especially among Soviet Jews now pouring out of the USSR in tens of thousands to re-settle in Israel. And Israel itself, where Judaism was born, and its people have an emotional tug for every Jew. There is a sense of oneness with the people of Israel; a desire to share obligations in the rebuilding of the Jewish homeland. As a result, Montreal Jewry also contribute to programs which care for the aged - whether they are here or in Israel, for young people, here and overseas, for those who are poor, whether in this area or in the Jewish State.

The waning months of 1972 see Israel even more security-conscious in the wake of the Lod Airport Massacre and the martyring of her athletes in Munich - security costs which sap much of the economic strength of the Jewish State. Many of her social services - in the form of help to immigrants or care of the aged - are borne by Jewish communities overseas and Montreal bears its share of the task.

Thus the Jewish community, with direct involvement by 4,000 volunteers in its annual campaign, counts the Combined Jewish Appeal and Israel Emergency Fund as an obligation vital to the continuance of a people who are marking the 5,733rd year of their history.

Israelis invest in stocks as hedge against inflation

By ARTHUR GARMAISE
From our Tel Aviv Bureau

TEL AVIV -

One year after the August, 1971 devaluation of the Israeli pound, the Tel Aviv stock market is still proving itself as the haven of cash-leery Israelis. The overall market has broken through the April 6th, 1972 high of 255.31 and established a new peak of 256.30.

The wild fluctuations since April did little to engender confidence that the market was, after all, a stable financial institution, but the more recent patterns of buying and selling indicate a shrewder sensitivity to actual corporate performance than was evident six months or a year ago. Buying is now more selective and related to reasoned projections about future profit figures than at any time in the last year when it seemed that Israelis had truly discovered the market for the first time.

The last devaluation seems to have promoted as a general attitude what until then had been only a common attitude: that cash was a perishable asset and that even high interest rates payable on savings did little more than offset the continuing drop in value of currency. The stock market's long-standing saw about it being a hedge against inflation seems to have implanted itself finally with all the force of a revelation and there began an era of what can literally be called feverish speculation. Even confirmed socialists were caught up in the capitalist glamor of the market.

Those who have moved in and out of the market with any degree of caution have managed to double their holdings with comparative ease, while those who have been really skilful in their manipulations and fortunate in their timing have tripled their respective worths. There are always the unfortunates - there must be losers to match the winners - but overall, the comparatively new experience (for most) of dabbling in the market has been an exhilirating one and has succeeded in stimulating their appetite for new adventures.

Statements, like those emanating from the treasury, that the transition from a wartime economy to a full-employment peacetime economy has been anticipated and planned for and can be accomplished with relative ease, do nothing to hurt an ebullient investor mood. The bulls are pawing the ground again.

SAM-3 missiles included

Russian arms pour into Syria

By ROYSTON ALLEN
CJN Israel Correspondent

TEL AVIV -

Syria has apparently replaced Egypt as the focal point of Soviet weapons and advisers in the Middle East since Egyptian President Anwar Sadat ordered most of the Russians from his country three months ago.

Recent reports from Western sources indicate that the USSR is moving "several planeloads of weapons daily into Syria," including the ultra-sophisticated SAM-3 missiles and the Israelis are more than a little concerned with the Soviet airlift.

The authoritative English-language daily **The Jerusalem Post** commented that the "current drift to Damascus (the Syrian capital) might lead to a considerable increase in the Soviet presence in Syria, as was the case with Egypt following its receipt of the massive Russian military aid."

Many of the advisers arriving are probably ground crews for the missile sites. The number of Russian advisers currently in Syria is estimated at about 3,000. There were over 20,000 in Egypt when Sadat ordered most of them out earlier this year.

Israeli observers feel the sudden influx of weapons may mean that the Soviet Union is planning to make things hotter along this country's ceasefire line with Syria.

Soviet diplomats in Damascus reportedly warned Syrian leaders recently that the Israelis were massing troops along the frontier. This brings to mind similar Soviet warnings to the Egyptians just before the Six Day War, an Israeli military source remarked, "not an encouraging sign."

Although the current Russian airlift is small compared with the one to Egypt, the installation of SAM-3 sites is sure to lift Syrian morale, which sagged after Israeli warplanes pounded eight Arab terrorist camps in the area recently.

Such strikes would be much more difficult with the Russian missiles in position. The main advantage of the SAM-3 missile is that it can be used against low-flying jets, a favorite technique of the Israeli Air Force (IAF).

Israeli jet fighters have also been flying over Latakia, the Syrian port on the Mediterranean where Russian ships are usually anchored, many of them unloading weapons for Syria, according to foreign press reports.

The IAF overflights were presumably reconnaissance missions.

If Israel's northern frontier starts getting hotter and more missile sites are constructed, the Israeli military may decide to move in with pre-emptive strikes against the bases, as was the case with Egypt a few years ago. This could easily lead to a full-scale escalation of the Middle East war.

This is the Arava plane of the Israeli air force. This plane plays a prominent part in the current Mideast war of weapon expansion. It is equipped with rockets and machine guns.

ask the rabbi

Why 'Elohim' in plural form

1. Why is the name for God, Elohim, in the plural?

RESPONSE:

Two things should first be noted. The name elohim is used in the Bible for the deities of polytheism as well as for God but then it is qualified by the word aherim-elohim aherim ("other gods"). When used of God the verb of which it is the subject is always in the singular, e.g. in the opening verse of Genesis: "In the beginning God (elohim) created (bara, sing.) the heavens and the earth." The most plausible explanation of the plural form is, therefore, that all the attributes and qualities ascribed by the polytheists to their different gods belong to God. All these are concentrated in God alone.

This is not too different from the traditional understanding of the name as meaning: "Lord of all powers" (baal hakochot kulam). It should also be noted that occasionally the singular form eloah is found in the Bible, e.g. in Deuteronomy 32, 15 and many times in the Book of Job.

2. What is the reason for the law (in Deuteronomy 22, 6-7), "Thou shalt not take the mother (bird) with the young"?

RESPONSE:

With regard to this very law the Talmud (Berachot 33b) implies that one should perform the mitzvot as divine decrees without suggesting "reasons" for them. However, Maimonides (Guide for the Perplexed III, 48) observes that this is only one rabbinic opinion — there is no reason for the mitzvot save the will of God — while he prefers to follow the other opinion. According to Maimonides this, and other laws of a similar nature, are based on compassion even for animals and birds. The mother must first be sent away so that she should not be pained by seeing that the young are taken away. Since the eggs over which the bird has sat and the young that need their mother are not in any event much fit to be eaten, the further result of the law will be that most people will not consider it worth the bother and they will leave the eggs and the young alone.

Maimonides concludes: "If the law takes into consideration these pains of the soul in the case of beasts and birds, what will be the case with regard to the individuals of the human species as a whole?" On the general question of the "reasons" for the mitzvot there is a fine discussion in the famous work Sefer Ha-Chinuch in the comment to this law in Deuteronomy.

Opinion

Rabbi Kahane has worn out his welcome in Israel

By NECHEMIA MEYERS
CJN Israel Correspondent
TEL AVIV –

Rabbi Meir Kahane, the well-publicized leader of the well-publicized Jewish Defence League, has worn out his welcome in Israel, where he settled last year. After his latest escapade, an amateurish attempt to smuggle arms and ammunition to the U.S. for a JDL campaign of counter-terror against Arab embassies and offices, many Israelis regret that he isn't being tossed out of the country together with Meyer Lansky.

Police Minister Shlomo Hillel, for example, has branded the Jewish Defence League "a small alien group" acting as if Israel were without a government of her own. Perhaps this is unfair to Kahane, who is willing to acknowledge the government's existence; he only denies its competence and authority.

This is not to say that the Brooklyn rabbi is the only one to criticize the measures taken – and particularly those not taken – to combat Arab terror. The time has come, many observers argue, for a worldwide offensive against terrorist groups, even if this necessitates breaking Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon's pledge that Israel would forego "illegal operations on foreign soil." Ruthless killers, they declare, can't be fought according to Marquis of Queensberry rules. But even the government's severest critics would balk at the idea that Prime Minister Meir and Defence Minister Dayan should turn over responsibility for fighting terror to Rabbi Kahane.

The immigrant rabbi has lately been active on the local scene, notably in connection with historic Hebron, sacred to Jews and Moslems alike as the site of the Patriarchs' Tombs. Following the Six Day War, Jews have been allowed to resettle on the outskirts of the West Bank town, but not in the town itself. So, Kahane, defying a military government ban, turned up in the town square with 60 of his youthful followers to demand "the repatriation of Jews to Hebron" and, for good measure, the trial of wily old Hebron Mayor Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'abari for his alleged role in the slaughter of Hebron Jews in 1929 and the savage assault on Etzion Bloc kibbutzim, near Hebron, in 1948.

While Ja'abari probably was involved in the 1929 and 1948 attacks on Jews, today he is a voluble exponent of Arab-Jewish coexistence and, in defiance of Arab terror groups, has helped keep the Hebron area relatively quiet. This has led to close ties with Defence Minister Moshe Dayan, who is incensed at Kahane's attempts to revive old quarrels in the interest of new headlines.

Rabbi Kahane

Rabbi Kahane hints at a connection between his controversy with Dayan over Hebron and last week's seizure of JDL arms at Lydda Airport, characterizing the latter as an unwarranted attempt by official circles to smash his organization. However, he is willing to let bygones be bygones if the government makes a deal with him: he will not carry out illegal activities within Israel if he is allowed to supply his overseas supporters with Israeli arms.

The authorities, ignoring this extraordinary display of "chutzpah", are going ahead with their own plans to put an end to the lethal sequence of hijackings, ambushes and booby-trapped letters. It will be a long and difficult struggle, particularly since many of the undercover operations involved will be taking place outside the Middle East. In this delicate situation, Rabbi Kahane's Madison Avenue hi-jinks are not only out of place, but may actually imperil the effectiveness of Israel's reply to Arab terror.

Fanatics possess little faith

By J. B. SALSBERG

This column was triggered by a news item that an enraged Uncle Eliezer brought to my attention. He was critical for my failure to deal with the larger aspects of the problem of religious intolerance in my columns about Israel. He demanded to know what I, or anyone else, was going to do about it.

I assured him that I did go into this problem when in Israel; that I have many notes on the subject but that it's an unpleasant matter and, like so many other people, I also hope that it will somehow just go away and get lost. But unfortunately there is little evidence to support such an expectation.

What aroused Uncle Eliezer was a Tel Aviv datelined United Press story about Israel on Yom Kippur. The Toronto Star headlined the item "Israeli cities 'ghost towns' during Yom Kippur." The body of the dispatch said: "Israel's international airport shut down for 27 hours, radio and television sets went blank and the entire country hushed to a halt at sundown yesterday for the Yom Kippur . . . All traffic halted and major cities looked like ghost towns. Roving vigilante bands of religious youth waited to stone moving cars."

Uncle Eliezer wanted to know what they were doing in the streets and why weren't they in the synagogues. He also demanded to know what would have happened if a doctor on a mission of mercy, or a hospital ambulance or a car of a foreign embassy had been attacked by the fanatical, religious hoodlums.

There is no denying that the religious extremists create many problems for the Israeli authorities and they frequently infuriate the majority of the population. But we must not lose sight of the fact that the fanatical fringe is a small minority of the population and that the most representative section of Israeli Orthodoxy, the Mizrachi and the Poel Hamizrachi, are frequently the main targets of the fanatics.

No one in Israel or here questions the right of the far-out groups to their beliefs and legitimate activities. But in the foggy minds of many of the fanatics they are heavenly chosen to enforce by all means, fair or foul, "the law" as they interpret it. That fanatical conviction makes them intolerable and dangerous.

The fanatics I speak of, and their counter-parts in America and elsewhere, are the ones:

– Who form "roving vigilante bands . . . (who) waited to stone moving cars." And who desecrate the Sabbath by doing the same.

– Who insist on being exempted from military service.

– Who, a couple of years ago, were caught red-handed by New York police painting swastikas on the doors of the Israeli consulate in that city.

– Who break into homes of Israeli doctors and terrorize them and their families in order to prevent the universal practice of post-mortems.

– Who threw refuse at a world renowned Hassidic rebbe and burned the Israeli flag in front of his New York centre because he supports Israel and urges his followers to settle in Israel.

– Who are capable of such an outrage as reported in a recent issue of the **Jerusalem Post Weekly:**

This was the shocking act by religious hooligans who attacked Rabbi Moshe Zvi Neriya, of the National Religious Party and a member of the Knesset, while he was praying at a grave at Mount Meron, near Safad.

Yes, and who do many other things that are incompatible with reason and tolerance. This manifests itself sharply in their attitude towards the non-orthodox branches of Judaism. In this area the fanatics are ready for the dirtiest of "holy wars" on the Conservative and Reform branches of institutionalized Jewish religion.

Uncle Eliezer concluded that the far-out, militantly fanatic elements are really people of little faith. They don't trust God to unfold His design because they can only conceive of Him in terms of their own warped minds. Uncle Eliezer has a strong point there.

How unaffiliated Jews feel about identification

The following article is a searching analysis of Jewish men and women who remain outside the area of religious identification. Yet there are many who feel Judiasm's tug at their emotions during the High Holy Days.

By BRAM CADSBY and CANDICE LICHTMAN

TORONTO –

Ethel Teitelbaum refers to herself and her husband, Mashel, as "detribalized Jews." And yet, they both admit that the "tribal feeling" of the Jewish community has occasionally reached out to touch even them.

Mashel Teitelbaum grew up in a small Western Canadian town where "everything, my total experience" alienated him from his Jewishness.

"My parents used Yiddish as secret-code language. They spoke it when they didn't want me to understand. Naturally, now, I can't speak a word of the language," he says.

His wife, Ethel, had a stronger Jewish background where she grew up, "in the ghettos of Montreal." Whereas the High Holidays mean nothing to Mashel, she feels that they would have some meaning if she were near to her family.

Having been brought up among Jews, she feels that "there is a certain kind of comfort in being with Jewish people, because certain things don't have to be explained."

When Mashel retorts that he doesn't have to explain anything, she says that nevertheless there are certain behavior patterns, certain kinds of nervousness that are experienced and understood among Jews far better than among others.

Ethel admits that the Six Day War brought out many of her "latent tribal instincts." Even Mashel answers with a reluctant "I'm afraid so" when asked whether he felt something similar.

"But I think it's pretty phoney," he hastens to add. "Militarism, tribalism, playing on cheap sentiments, participating in a victory you had no part in – They're rather regrettable emotions.

Leon Major has very little to do with Judaism religiously but gains much of his spiritual satisfaction from his work in the theatre.

"The theatre is a spiritual medium," he says, "spiritual in the sense that it is dealing with human beings in a somewhat exalted state. I am reminded constantly that the very origin of theatre was as a religious ritual."

His wife, Judith, on the other hand, cannot see her work from the same spiritual point of view. "Its all very day-to-day," she says.

Both Judith and Leon agree that she is the more assimilated of the two. For example, says Leon, there has always been a great concern for education in the Jewish community. "If my kid's a dropout," he says, "it would kill my parents and merely hurt me but Judith, she'd accept it."

The High Holidays mean nothing to Judith, except that they provide an opportunity to discuss what it means to be Jewish with her children.

"I don't keep them out of school because we go to work," she says. "It's another day but it reinforces the fact that they're Jewish."

Leon, however, has a strong emotional reaction to the fact of the holidays despite the fact that he cannot react on religious grounds.

"I am a Jew," he says. "If Jews consider me part of the Jewish community, then I'm part of the Jewish community. However, I am not a part of any religious Jewish community.

"I don't participate in any Jewish activities and yet I feel Jewish," says David Warsh, an Israeli immigrant who owns a textile business on Spadina Avenue.

He points out that in Israel one does not feel Jewish because, being an Israeli normally supercedes the religious tie to Judaism.

"In Israel, being Jewish means nothing, unless you're Orthodox," he says.

Here in Canada, Warsh feels that one is forced to identify Jewishly because, in his words, "the Gentiles won't let you forget it."

And yet, despite the fact that he "feels" Jewish, Warsh believes that his Jewishness influences him very little in the course of his daily life.

"About all I do is close my store on Saturdays," he says.

He does not take part in community activities because, "except for a demonstration every once in a while," he doesn't feel that anything attractive or important is being organized.

The High Holidays don't mean a great deal to 24 year old Art Moses. Last year he did not have a ticket to attend services. After speaking to four different officials, he was let into the synagogue.

"I thought it was really hypocritical that people show up once a year," he remarked. "I find the whole concept of repentence a fraud – 10 days of judgement, then your fate is sealed for the coming year. It's kind of silly.

He would go again this year out of deference to his parents.

Coming to university in Toronto from an Orthodox family in Sudbury, Art said, made him realize that the difference he had felt in being set off from others was artificial. "Most Jews didn't observe it anyway," he added.

Jewish anti-Semitism

Phenomenon of self-hatred

LONDON (JCNS) –

In 1509, the anti-Jewish pamphleteer Johannes Pfefferkorn received a commission from Emperor Maximilian to burn copies of the Talmud all over Germany. There was nothing in any way remarkable about this, except for Pfefferkorn's identity: the book-burner was a Jew, who had converted and been taken up by the Dominicans, the thought police of the Catholic Church.

In 1882, the Jews of Tisza-Eszlar, Hungary, faced a ritual murder accusation. Nothing unusual about this either – the blood libel was then being revived all over Eastern Europe – except for one fact: the voluntary chief witness for the prosecution was a Jew, Moritz Scharf.

Pfefferkorn, the apostate with a mission, and Scharf, the man at odds with his people, are two basic types that keep recurring among the sad and motley crew of self-hating Jews.

One way of coming to terms with Jewish anti-Semitism is the rationalization that every people, however healthy, produces such types.

Jewish self-hatred is a strange phenomenon. The Jews have historically been subjected to so much hostility that some have "internalized" the hate and denigration directed at them. Such internalization, or acceptance of the anti-Semite's view of themselves, was more pronounced among German Jews than among either Eastern or Western ones. Eastern Jews were too positively Jewish, and Western ones too secure, to exhibit tortuous feelings about themselves. Germany, in the middle, was a sort of cultural pressure cooker in which aspiring Jews had to conform to Germanic values at considerable psychological cost.

The Viennese philosopher Otto Weininger was a Protestant convert who thought Jesus' greatness consisted of having completely "transcended the Jew within himself." Trying to overcome his own Jewishness, Weininger despaired of his ability to do so and committed suicide at an early age.

The best-known German philosopher of Jewish origin was, of course, Karl Marx. Baptized at birth, Marx had aimed at an academic career and married an aristocraft; he felt no kinship with the Jews whom he considered an incarnation of the spirit of capitalism. "Emancipation from usury and money, i.e. from practical Judaism, would constitute the emancipation of our time.

During the 1923 French occupation of the Rhur, when the Communists angled for an alliance with the German nationalists, the Communist Ruth Fischer told a student audience: "Whoever cries out against Jewish capital already fights the class struggle without being aware of it. Hang the Jewish capitalists from the lamp posts!"

Ruth Fischer was Jewish. She was also a Trotskyite – and as such soon expelled from the party. Not so her purge-proof Stalinist brother, Gerhart Eisler, who was East German propaganda chief at the time of the Six Day War. In early June 1967, when Bonn sent the beleaguered Israelis 20,000 gas masks, Eisler called this a "war crime." (In Germany of all places, where the association of the words "Jew" and "gas" has the most horrifying connotation!)

Simultaneously the German-Jewish emigre Peter Weiss (famed for his play "Marat-Sade – As stated by the Inmates of Charenton Asylum") applied the logic of the lunatic asylum to the world stage. He charged Israel with master race delusions and abetting the Pentagon by pushing Vietnam off the world's headlines for a whole week (sic!)

Mention of Fatah brings us to the most topical manifestation of Jewish self-hatred: the condoning of Arab terrorism. This can take various forms. Its subtlest is the description of butchery not as morally abhorrent but politically counter-productive.

A less subtle approach is followed by the two self-proclaimed "Jewish" pro-Arabists whose letters receive automatic publication in the British press, viz Erich Fried and Mrs. Marion Woolfson. Marion Woolfson is a China traveller and journalist – mainly letters to the editor and "Free Palestine" handouts – of independent means. She inherited some of her family's wealth, but none of their Jewish attachment.

Fried and his ilk are dangerous, but as long as – no thanks to them – we live in a free society, we must, alas, breathe the same air.

'Mishmash of fantasy and fiction' is description given by reader of letters supporting Rev. Forrest

Dear Editor:

I gladly leave Rochelle Carr (CJN, Sept. 22) and prior to that, Irving Marcus (CJN, Sept. 15) to their respective miasmas of naivete and mishmash of fantasy and fiction. If having a cup of tea with Rev. Forrest happens to be Miss Carr's cup of tea, she's welcome to the "gedillah". I've had lunch with him and haven't yet been able to get rid of the bad taste in my mouth. If I had any doubts as to his objectivity, humanitarianism or search for truth, that memorable luncheon, replete with Arab propaganda and sloganeering, cured me for all time.

That Miss Carr knows a fellow teacher, an active congregant within the United Church, who discussed the significance of the Jewish holidays with her, is very interesting, but what has this to do with the anti-Israel stance of the hierarchy of the United Church and **The Observer?** That the Christian school librarian bought a book about a rabbi, is indeed commendable, but aside from demonstrating that he reads a variety of books, what else does it prove?

That she wishes Moderator Bruce McLeod success in his new position is platitudinous in itself, but his endorsement of **The Observer's** fulminations against Israel and Zionists, while at the same time calling for "quiet dialogue" with the Jewish community, leaves me more than a bit sceptical as to his sincerity.

Mr. Marcus, having heard Rev. Forrest and read some of his actual writings, hopes he wins. Obviously he agrees with sir (Galahad) Forrest on his white charger jousting with the Israeli racist militarists and the Zionist establishment, and proclaiming that "one can't be with these commandos (Al Fatah members) for long, without sympathizing with their cause." Prof. David Demson, Rev. Douglas Young, Prof. Franklin Littell, and Rev. Donald Keating, to name but a few, have been outraged by **The Observer's** distortion of the Arab-Israel conflict, but Mr. Marcus finds only **The CJN** editorials "venomous, stupid, and bigoted". Perhaps these gentlemen haven't been reading the same issues of **The Observer** that Marcus has. If, however, they have, then I respectfully prefer to accept their version of what he is really saying, than his.

Jay Jacobs
Downsview

Dear Editor:

I read the reprinted editorial from **The Jerusalem Post** concerning Rabbi Kahane's tactics with great interest. My attention was particularly drawn to the section dealing with "the attempt to harass and provoke" the "man conspicuous for his courage in speaking out for Arab-Jewish co-existence", the very honorable mayor of Hebron, Sheik Ja'abari.

This man is mayor by virtue of the fact that his clan controls the town of Hebron. This control was just as strong in 1929, when Ja'abari, as an "independent-minded" young leader of his fellow townsmen, and relatives, helped lead the murderous slaughter of helpless old men, women, and children of the ancient and honored Jewish community of Hebron. This cynical killer, fearful of just revenge and ambitious to clutch at greater influence, curries favor with his conquerors.

Myer Rosen
Toronto

Dear Editor:

Today's assimilated Jew is searching. And he's in competition, too. Toronto's bustling mid-town metropolis finds him among a host of cults – from peace-love-groovy syndromes to Yoga practices. In recent years he has ricocheted back and forth. Radical, drugs, vegetarian. So it is with the 1972 fully integrated Jew. Which often brings to mind the question Alice posed in her travels to Wonderland: "Would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here?"

For some obvious reasons "Jewish motherhood" considers the intermarried son/daughter as the final stage in losing cultural identity.

Too few accurate studies on the topic have been carried out to date. One, however, based on data collected from the Greater Washington area in 1956 by Stanley Bigman is the best survey yet. Jews formed 4.7% of the total population. In essence it says a number of factors contribute to mixed marriages. The rate rises with each new generation, 1% ratio (immigrant) to 10.2% (first native-born) to 17.9% (second and subsequent generations). And the case histories show that with regard to children's upbringing about 75% were said to have been baptized at birth. Only 25% were raised as Jews.

It is noteworthy to observe that sociologists familiar with this pattern point to the pressures found in modern urban lifestyles as a culprit to be reckoned with. The hectice pace, they say, can lead to alienated feelings. Group survival becomes threatened and the family drifts apart.

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'A lull in the fighting'

What Arabs mean by peace is unacceptable

By HENRY S. ROSENBERG

Many Jews in the Diaspora as well as many non-Jews who are considered friends, and even some Israelis, feel that Israel should return to Egypt and the Arabs territories occupied in 1967, and that such a gesture will help to bring peace. The key word is "peace".

The Arabs mean by peace, a lull in the fighting, an opportunity to regroup and to improve their capacity to make war, and then to continue in their own time to annihilate Israel - an objective no Arab leader has yet abandoned.

For that kind of peace, Israel should not budge an inch. Yet the Arabs have, by a well planned design, set out to gain through the United Nations, the big powers, and *public opinion*, a victory over Israel that they could not gain in war. They have succeeded in part in causing many, including some Jews, to think of the Israelis, who have been fighting for their lives and the very existence of their State for a quarter of a century, as aggressors. Nothing is further from the truth.

Peace is what exists between Canada and the United States, between England and Germany, between the United States and Japan, between France and Italy. It means that each state has reconciled its differences and renounces any and all warlike acts against the other; that the borders between the states are open for tourism, trade, finance and communication of all kinds with the other; that the citizens are free to exchange friendly visits; that neither side attempts to boycott or interfere with the other; that the parties exchange ambassadors and trade missions; that they do not discriminate against each other; that they co-operate in the United Nations and world affairs.

It does not mean that they may not have custom duties, or armies, or defensible borders or an independent existence but that none of these measures should be discriminatory or aimed specifically at a former enemy.

Peace is a frame of mind, an attitude toward each other and it does not exist between nations if a foreign army is required to keep their countries apart. Once peace is *established by negotiations*, concessions and reconciliation, and hostility is replaced by co-operation, then a whole new world is opened up for both sides. Humans being what they are, peace is more likely to be maintained if temptation to conflict is eliminated or reduced by the fact that the countries are separated by defensible borders, rather than by weak demarcations that may tempt a future government to attack.

Israel appears to have pushed back its enemies after 25 years of struggle and at the cost of 8,000 lives (the equivalent, in proportion, to a loss of 750,000 lives by the United States, or 75,000 lives by Canada), many thousands crippled and wounded and billions in treasure.

Jaber Muadi, leader of the Druse minority in Israel, has been elected deputy minister of post and communications. A 53-year-old farmer, Muadi is seen in the Knesset.

Should Israel now listen to Arab propaganda, to the United Nations, influenced by Arab States and Russia, and to its so-called friends who are advising her to return to the borders that have encouraged all the forays and attacks against her in the past?

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FREDA KEET, prize-winning actress, noted television and radio program editor and director, and Israel's foremost woman broadcaster for Kol Israel, Israel's national radio service will visit Toronto on Thursday, October 12th, to address a special luncheon of the Jerusalem Sponsors, State of Israel Bonds Women's Division, being held at the home of Mrs. Nathan Reiber. Jerusalem Sponsors are members of a top-level international group of women supporters of Israel Bonds, under the Toronto chairmanship of Mrs. Sol Goldstein.

When it comes to the Israel Bond Campaign, Yorkdale Lodge B'nai B'rith members can be counted on, year after year, to make it a "total effort" with 100 per cent participation of their members. They were out in full force on September 26th to attend an advance sales reception hosted by Wolf Justein at his home, in conjunction with the Yorkdale Lodge Bond Award Dinner in his honor being held in November. Wolfe Justein, seated centre front left; lodge president Rubin Applebaum to his right.

Over 200 persons march in the Simchat Torah demonstration in Montreal. The marchers expressed solidarity with Soviet Jews waiting to immigrate to Israel. (Kay photo)

Synagogues give to Yiskor Appeal

TORONTO – Members of congregations in Toronto and throughout Ontario perpetuated the memory of departed loved ones on Yom Kippur by supporting the annual Yiskor Appeal of the Jewish National Fund and United Jewish Relief Agencies.

"The many hundreds of gifts that were received enable the beneficiaries to strengthen Jewish life in the danger areas around the world and reclaim desert wastelands in Israel for productive settlement," Kurt Weinberg, JNF executive director said last week.

Participating congregations in Toronto were Adath Israel, Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda, Beth Sholom, Beth Tikvah, Beth Tzedec, Holy Blossom, Shaarei Shomayim and B'nai Israel Beth David.

Appeals were made from the pulpit at Beth Lida, Farband, King David, and Yavne Zion, by Julius Wiener and Dr. Alexander Brown, Victor Giblon, Alex Ogden and H. A. Cohen respectively.

Prior to the Neilah service, the Farband Congregation also held a successful appeal in which proceeds went towards the purchase of a grove of trees to be planted by Keren Kaymeth as a tribute to the 11 slain Olympic athletes.

Five Jews chosen to U of T council

TORONTO – Five of the 50-member Governing Council of the University of Toronto, appointed or elected this year, are Jewish.

The Governing Council was created by a merger of the university's senate and board of governors last July 1 and will administer both academic and financial matters previously handled by the two groups.

Council members appointed by the Ontario government include Toronto businessmen Murray B. Koffler and Sydney Hermant, Macleans Magazine editor Peter C. Newman and Mrs. Marnie Paikin, a director of Hamilton's Temple Anshe Sholom.

Hermant will serve on council for three years, Koffler for one year and Newman and Mrs. Paikin for two years.

Their appointments came at a time when the university had enlarged the scope of the governing body to include students and administrative staff as elected representatives.

Among the eight students elected, following the policy change, was Aaron Goldenberg, an undergraduate.

Hermant, a member of the university's senate for 17 years and a governor since 1962, said last week that he felt the "broadening of the base" of the university's ruling body was at least partially responsible for the increase in the number of Jews.

Prior to Hermant, the only member of the Jewish faith ever to serve on the university's executive was the late Sigmund Samuel.

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"PROTEST THE HEAD TAX"

Scientist gains first hand story of Soviet Jews' plight

By GENYA INTRATOR

TORONTO –

For University of Toronto professor Murray Freedman, what began with a biophysics conference in Moscow last summer ended in a firm personal commitment to "tell the story" of the plight of Jews behind the Iron curtain.

While taking part in the International Biophysics Congress, Dr. Freedman, a cancer research specialist, met a number of people who told him just what it meant to be a Jew in the Soviet Union.

One of those people was the conference's co-chairman Dr. Kutcher, who has experienced first-hand the problems facing a Soviet Jewish scientist.

"Jewish scientists are not hired by the Soviet universities," he told the Toronto professor. "They are considered too great a risk. The old ones, who haven't applied for a visa, are not fired yet, but when they retire they are replaced by non-Jewish scientists."

And if conditions at the universities are bad, they pale beside those faced by scientists in research laboratories, as Dr. Kutcher told Dr. Freedman.

"In the laboratory we are afraid to talk to anybody, even to each other. The atmosphere of fear and mistrust is so pervasive that I don't exchange ideas with my colleagues even on professional topics, for fear of being misquoted and denounced."

But for the scientists, as Dr. Kutcher told Dr. Freedman, there is little hope of escape because they are not allowed to travel even as far as the satellite countries.

Another scientist Dr. Freedman met has thrown caution to the winds in his commitment to the cause and has no intention of either leaving the country or concealing his Jewishness.

Dr. Levich, the internationally known electrochemist, has become a symbol of resistance for Jews in the Soviet Union, through his openness.

According to Dr. Freedman, the entire Levich family shares the scientist's convictions and courage but he leads the fight in speaking to visitors and newspapermen in an effort to help his people.

The night before Dr. Levich's youngest son was scheduled to appear before a military tribunal to be arrested or deported, the fighting scientist told Dr. Freedman: "The violation of the civil rights of scientists as compared to other people and the transformation of scientists into the property of the government is a dangerous precedent. Today it is the fate of perhaps a small group of scientists at a certain place of the world, tomorrow it may happen to anyone, anywhere. The brains as well as the hands of human beings

Dr. Murray Freedman
(Famous Studio)

are their personal property."

A Shabbat morning search for a synagogue led Dr. Freedman to his next encounter with a Soviet Jew – this time a female guide named Zena.

"Zena was an outstanding guide," said Dr. Freedman. "A brilliant student with a photographic memory, she had all the facts and figures on any subject at her fingertips. She was also very vocal in praise of the Communist system and expounded at great length on the merits of the Marxist-Leninist doctrine. Her father was obviously high up in the Soviet hierarchy; he even had a chauffeur-driven car."

But if Zena-the-guide impressed Dr. Freedman, she also mystified him and he recalls some of her statements as examples.

When someone asked her if she was a Russian, she answered: "No, I am a Jew and proud of it!"

On another occasion when he offered her a gift in appreciation of her help as a guide in the strange Russian capital, she threw it back at him making it quite clear she wanted no trinkets from the West.

When he pressed her to tell him what she would accept as a gift, she said: "How about one of your Hebrew books?"

It soon became clear to Dr. Freedman that the book would not be for the doctrine-spouting daughter but for her high-placed, chauffeur-driven father, the modern day Marrano who had earlier asked Zena to find out what she could about Israel for him.

On Saturday, August 12, Dr. Freedman met some Jewish activists in Moscow who took him to see the Markishes, the family of the late Peretz Markish. A Yiddish poet, he was executed 20 years ago to that day and more than 200 people turned up to commemorate the anniversary of his death with Esther, his wife, and his son, David.

It was doubly sad for Esther and David because they had just received their sixth refusal of an exit visa to Israel.

While Dr. Freedman was talking with Esther the telephone rang. It was a call from the Toronto Jewish community telling the Markishes that they would not forget the poets and were holding a memorial at City Hall to mark the anniversary of their death at the hands of Stalin.

Canaan's first litter

TORONTO –

The first litter in Canada of the Canaan dog, native breed of Israel, has been born in an Alberta kennel.

Susan Horovitch of Southalta Kennels in Barnwell, Alta., reports that Massada's Eve, the third Canaan dog to be imported into Canada, gave birth to her litter Sept. 7. The Canaan is celebrated in Israel as a guard dog with a long history.

The breed originated about 3,000 years ago and guarded herds and camps of the Israelites until they were dispersed by the Romans.

The dogs then retreated into the Negev Desert and became wild. Some retained a form of domesticity living with the Bedouins and the Druze on Mount Carmel.

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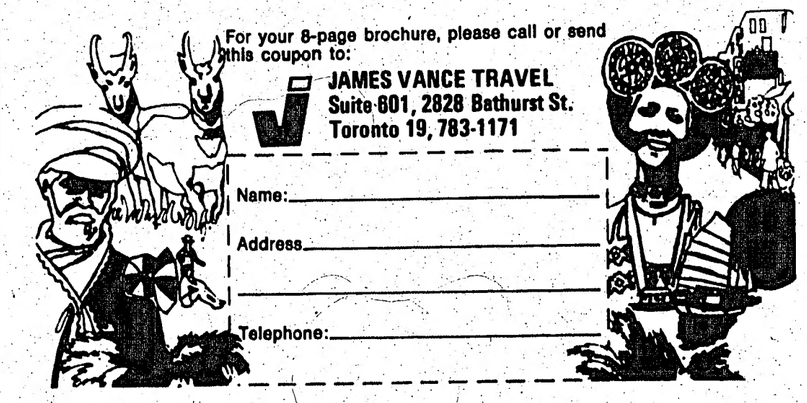

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Mayor William Dennison (left) and Alderman David Rotenberg (right) watch Wilma Brooks of El Al Airline's Toronto office hold aloft the Torch of Independence at Nathan Phillips Square Thurs., Sept. 28. Kindled by Israel President Zalman Shazar, the torch was first flown by El Al to Montreal where a ceremony was held Wed., Sept. 27. The Toronto ceremony, celebrating Israel's 25th anniversary of statehood and honoring Mayor Dennison was addressed by Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, of Holy Blossom Temple. (Hoz Photo)

'Peace begins and ends in the family'

By JUDITH LEVY

TORONTO –

When a movie screen stands before the Holy Ark,

When a Father, neither father nor Jew, praises Jewish family traditions,

When a psychiatrist comes not to send peace but a sword,

When a Rabbi invites his congregation to a "thrash-in" at two in the morning,

Then you know something's happening in the synagogue.

Rabbi Erwin Schild of Adath Israel Congregation has brought to life not only an ancient Jewish tradition but also the kind of creative spirit that has carried Jews forward throughout the ages.

For three years, he has held a Vigil for Peace, Hoshana Rabba night, traditionally a time of study. This year's theme was **Peace in the Family** for as the rabbi said: "Peace begins and often ends in the family."

At midnight, a session on "How to live in peace with parents and other necessary evils. . . ." was called for teenagers only. Rabbi Yacov Rone of Congregation Or Shalom of London, Ont., and Dr. Druckman sat at their podium facing 200 empty chairs. This time the discussion really came down to earth as doctor and rabbi joined the congregation of freaked hair and denims looking more faded than usual under a blanket of smoke. Behind the chairs, on the plush broadloom, 'What's good for the soul. . . .?' Meanwhile adults in another hall argued about "Domestic peace and other alternatives".

And in the pre-dawn hours congregation president Ben Marks, pointed out the Bible, from Adam and Eve to Joseph and his brothers, is one long story of family conflict.

"The families, however, were held together by a sense of over-riding purpose," he said. "Conflict, instead of being an impediment, can be the motivating force which drives the family onward to fulfil its destiny."

Earlier Dr. Paul Druckman, child and family psychiatrist, said he likes to tell most people who feel they should be somehow happier that they don't require professional treatment. They are merely experiencing normal problems of living, he explained.

"Life is a conflict and if the family is to fulfil its function as a training ground for life in society, the one thing it must teach is flexibility in resolving conflict," he said.

"Compromise or fight like the devil," he urged, "but don't fall into a rut. Try to find new ways that work."

Keynote speaker Rev. Father Arthur Gibson of St. Michael's College stressed the positive values of family life.

"In a family, radically different individuals, of whom only two have chosen each other, can learn to live together in organic solidarity in spite of gaps of sex and generation," he remarked.

"The family is a school of humanity in which one may learn respect for oneself and, for others, the skill of loving contact and mutual identification. It is a seedbed of the kind of sympathy that could transform the world."

UIA leaders to attend Toronto study workshops

TORONTO –

United Israel Appeal campaign chairmen from 25 Ontario communities will attend study workshops at the Oakdale Golf and Country Club, Sun. Oct. 15, UIA Executive Director Yehuda Noy announced last week.

The workshops will be conducted prior to a luncheon celebrating Israel's 25th anniversary and honoring chairmen from the communities for their service to the campaign.

Noy said there would be five workshops in all – four for men and one for members of the UIA's women's divisions.

To be attended by representatives from each community, they will deal with such topics as canvassing, encouraging young leadership, campaign orientation and publicity.

Noy said that the study sessions, which will examine the performance of the successful 1972 campaign will hopefully provide enough interchange of ideas to further stimulate the upcoming 1973 campaign.

Following the workshops a luncheon will be held, highlighted by a special narration by TV comedian Johnny Wayne.

At the same time, citations will be presented to the chairmen of the different Ontario communities and awards will be presented to special workers.

Among those attending will be Shimshon Kreutner, executive director of Keren Hayesod and Gordon Brown, national president of the UIA.

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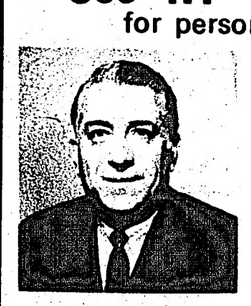

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Expelled from Egypt, Russia bribes Syria with arms airlift

TEL AVIV (JTA) –
Western intelligence sources indicate that the new Soviet airlift to Syria includes the sophisticated ground-to-air missiles of the SAM-3 type which were installed earlier in the Suez Canal zone and to guard other vulnerable targets in Egypt, it was reported here today. Israeli sources said the airlift to Syria was one way Moscow has of indicating to Egypt that Russia has other friends in the Arab world.

The sources added that the Russians were accompanying their airlift with warnings to Syria of an imminent Israeli attack. The Syrians have reacted by intensifying their anti-aircraft defence. But they are pulling back terrorist units from the Golan Heights border to avoid provocative incidents, Israeli sources said.

(In Washington, State Department spokesman Charles Bray said today that the increased equipment and arms to Syria "obviously could increase tension in the area. That would not be a welcome development." He added that to "the best of our knowledge" the U.S. does not have details of the contents of the Soviet arms shipment. Secretary of Defence Melvin Laird said recently on NBC-TV "Meet the Press" that he was watching the Soviet airlift "very closely." While he declined to predict or analyze publicly the implications of the airlift, Laird said he was "concerned," and expressed hope that the "major powers involved, particularly the Soviet Union, would use caution in the Middle East at this time.")

Harshness of Syrian treatment told by Jew

PARIS (JCNS) –
Syrian Jews are forbidden to work for the state; their movements are severely restricted; and they cannot sell their property or movable assets or obtain a licence to drive a car. They must carry a special identity card specifying that they are of the Jewish religion, with the word Jew written in bold lettering inside a red frame visible on both sides of the card.

These restrictions, recently decreed by the Syrian government, were disclosed in last week's issue of **Tribune Juive**, the French Jewish periodical, by a tourist who had returned to France from Damascus.

One of the few freedoms Syria's 4,000 Jews retained, he said, was religious liberty. They could go to synagogue, learn Hebrew in order to pray; organize a kind of Talmud Torah; and employ some rabbis and shochetim.

Young Jews could also go to the state universities, but only to graduate as doctors or pharmacists because government employment was closed to them.

Syrian Jews could not leave the country and they felt themselves "confined in a ghetto." Girls could not find husbands easily and families lived in constant dread of attack by Moslem neighbors who took every opportunity of insulting them.

On the other hand, relations between members of the community and their Christian neighbors were "friendly," a young Syrian Jew told the tourist.

Speaking of the community's hardships, the young Jew gave as an example the refusal of the authorities to renew the licence of a man who ran a fleet of taxis which were his only means of livelihood.

The man was was also refused permission to sell his taxis and they were finally confiscated by the state.

Another example was the ordeal of the Nahamad family. The husband was a British subject and the wife was Italian but they were refused permission to leave the country.

They could not carry on their business, and after using up their savings were forced to live on the charity of the community. Later they were evicted from their home because they could not pay the rent and then escaped through the mountains in the north to Turkey.

"Anyone found attempting to leave without a permit," the young Jew told the tourist, "is tied to a car tire and publicly beaten. . . . Then he is imprisoned and later released, a sick man. – "We would like to leave because many of us know a foreign language and have relatives in France or America, but we cannot," the young Jew added.

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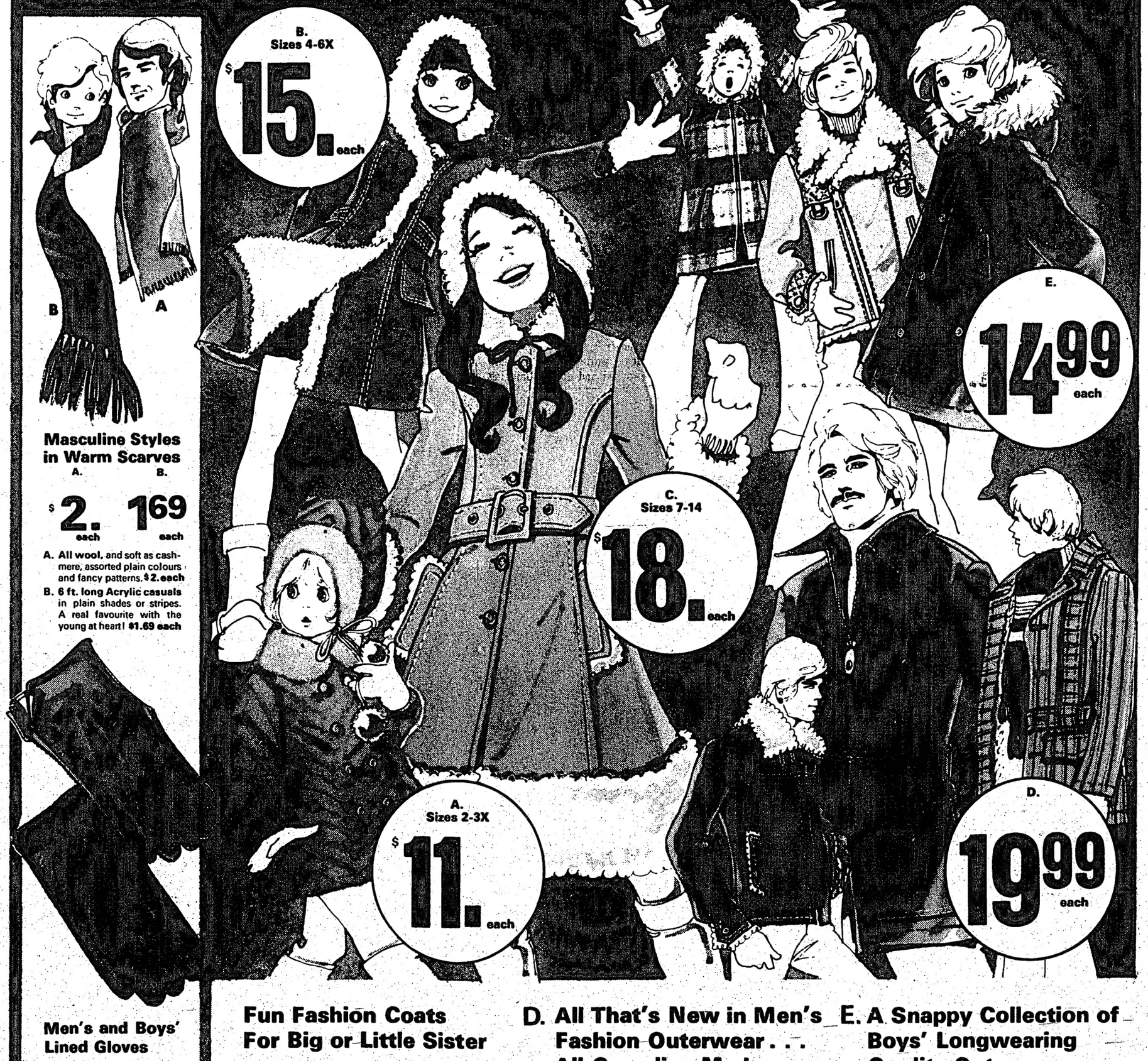

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Theodore Bikel (centre), while appearing recently in Toronto in the leading role of The Rothschilds, took time out to address the Toronto chapter of Canadian Friends of Hebrew University. Bikel asked that the proceeds from the sale of his recordings of Jewish songs from Russia, which were smuggled out of that country, called Silent No More, be designated for scholarships for Russian students at Hebrew University. At left is Dr. Ralph Halbert, Ontario region chairman; right, Albert J. Latner, Toronto chapter president. In foreground is Mrs. John A. Sherman national vice president.

(Hershenhorn)

Members of the Perlmutter family prepare for the United Synagogue Day School Walk-A-Thon on Sunday Oct. 15. In centre is Mrs. Hilda Perlmutter who at 95 will be the oldest participant. Other members of her family are (from left) Jeffrey and Karen Perlmutter, Mark Perlmutter, president and chairman of the board of the U.S.D.S. Michael and Lloyd Perlmutter and Alan Shiner, a grandchild and alumnus of the first graduating class.

Recalls Jewish poverty experience

By LEAH KLEIMAN

TORONTO –

To be poor, Jewish and female is almost an anachronism in today's society. While attending this fall's round of new store openings, fashion shows, film press parties, CBC previews and such affairs, I was suddenly overwhelmed with memories of a mean and chaotic childhood. There was no urge to re-write, to romanticize, or to soften the experience. It was there – vivid, unadulterated and still hurting.

The poor, Jewish, female experience means:

Controlling your anger while your teacher tells you that Jewish people have such a knack for making money, while you know that your father gets up at 6:00 a.m., to go to work in a ladies' coat factory for $45 a week.

Having to wear an overly tight dress to school everyday in order to wear out the "good dress" your mother bought you for going out, after you discovered that you had outgrown it.

Living behind the store that your mother managed and having boarders on the second floor and always having to wait in line for the one bathroom.

Having your dog die and not being able to afford to buy another one.

Spending hours looking at the fashion magazines in the drug store to see how the other half of the world dressed.

Being told stories about the poor life in the shtetles of Poland and the good life in the Spadina Avenue ghetto.

Never having a bicycle or roller skates because there was no place to go. ("So what do you need it for?")

Spending Saturday afternoons alone in the Victory Theatre watching three movies while your parents worked and always brought home a bacon sandwich [illegible] in a brown paper bag.

Having dinner at a girl friend's house and suddenly realizing that all her mother's dishes and silverware matched.

Being shocked when you realized that people who lived in houses had front lawns of grass while you only had gray pavement.

Spending the whole summer in the city, except for one week with your parents in a small, rented cottage in Pontypool with flypaper hanging from the ceiling and an outdoor toilet.

Realizing that not everybody wore strings with housekeys around their necks.

One day, the nostalgia writers will cover over the pain, and lower Spadina Avenue, like the lower East Side and the shtetl will become the material for a prancing, musical. Let them sing. I still haven't stopped crying.

UJA raises sights for 1973 campaign

NEW YORK –

North American Jewry will have to raise $630 million in 1973 through the United Jewish Appeal for Israel and local needs, according to Max M. Fisher, president of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

Speaking at a meeting of the CJF's board of directors, Fisher said $505 million is required for Israel and $125 million is "the local price tag."

Canadian Jewish communities are expected to raise over $30 million.

Last year, North American communities raised $390 million – a record amount, Fisher reported, "but not enough to alleviate the suffering of thousands of Jews all over the world."

Fisher, who is also chairman of the board of governors of the Jewish Agency, said the agency's budget for 1973 calls for expenditures totalling $785 million to provide for Israel's immigration, absorption, housing and other urgent needs.

At least another 75,000 immigrants are expected next year, he said. Most will be coming from Soviet Russia, Morocco and Argentina.

Some of the costs budgeted for social needs were listed as follows: housing, $284 million; welfare payments, $74 million; health, $85 million; early education, $65 million; higher education, $83 million; agriculture, $45 million; youth care, $36 million; Joint Distribution Committee (one third to be spent in Israel), $25 million.

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Death removes pioneers of Jewish community

From CJN Quebec Bureau

MONTREAL –

The Montreal Jewish community mourned the loss of two of its founding sons last week with the death of Cecil Usher at 69, and Harry Gordon at 92.

Usher was involved in community affairs for decades as president of the Jewish Family Services of the Baron de Hirsch Institute and as president of the Allied Jewish Community Services from 1961 to 1963.

Gordon was a founder of the Montreal YMHA and was one of its first presidents. He was also president of the Jewish Maternity Hospital which later merged with the Jewish General Hospital in 1930.

Usher, a founding partner in the firm of Richter, Usher, and Vineberg was the first Jew to be elected to the council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Quebec.

He had also served as vice-president of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare funds, and was a principal architect of Allied Jewish Community Services.

Gordon's main interests in recent years included the United Talmud Torahs and the Hebrew Free Loan Association. He had been vice-president of both.

He ran as a Conservative in the federal elections of 1930, and was governor of several hospitals including the Montreal Children's Hospital and the Jewish Hospital of Hope.

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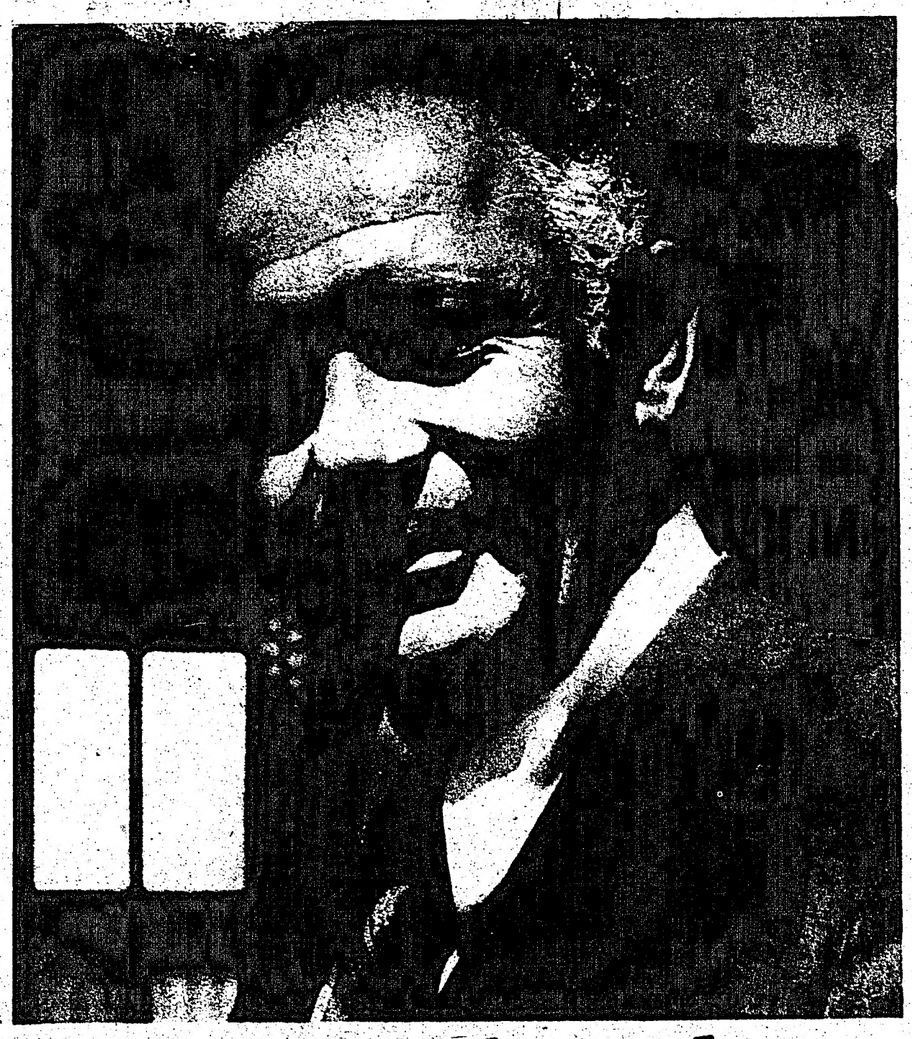
For purposes of identification, please include your name and postal address, and the reason(s) for complaint. If possible, note also the assessment roll number, the street address, concession and lot numbers, and the municipality in which the property under complaint is situated.

Assessment rolls may be inspected at the City Clerk's Department, City Hall, any day from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays and Monday, October 9th, Thanksgiving Day.

Gordon T. Batchelor,
City Clerk



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Dismiss Prague museum director

LONDON (JCNS) -

Dr. Wilem Benda's dismissal as director of the State Jewish Museum in Prague may herald changes in the administration of some of the finest buildings of the Jewish heritage in Europe, including the city's 13th century Old-New Synagogue, the Jewish Town Hall, which is the oldest Jewish town hall in Europe, and the old Jewish cemetery. They are all under the "umbrella" of the Jewish Museum.

The JCNS has learned Dr. Benda's successor is Erik Klima, former head of a section of the Czechoslovakia State Library where forbidden books are kept, and it quotes sources as saying that he has been given the task of dismissing employees who were expelled from the Communist Party during the last two years for their liberal views. Eight of about 40 employees are expected to go. The old cemetery is a repository of history. Thousands of tightly packed and tilting tombstones, dating between the 15th and 18th century, are situated there.

During the centuries several layers of earth were piled on top of the older tombs to provide more burial space in the cemetery which rises above street level. Some 80% of the museum's 750,000 yearly visitors have been foreigners and of these about 80% were from the West. The museum, allocated generous grants by the government, mounted temporary exhibitions in Britain and other European countries and in the United States but a display planned for Canada was vetoed by the authorities according to informed sources.

German visitors appeared to be particularly fascinated by the museum as a tangible reminder of the crimes of a previous German generation. The museum, which houses the largest collection of Jewish ritual objects and culture, is likely to be reorganized along anti-Zionist lines.

Dr. Benda has been in disfavor for about two years for failing to comply with the country's return to hardline communism after the downfall of Alexander Dubcek, the reformist Communist Party leader. A long - standing Communist who was expelled from the party in 1970, Dr. Benda was a driving force behind the reorganization of Jewish cultural life in Czechoslovakia after the Nazi occupation during the Second World War.

According to some estimates, some 13,000 Jews still live in Czechoslovakia compared with about 350,000 before the Second World War.

Services are conducted in two synagogues in Prague and there are small religious communities in Pilsen, Brno and Ostrava.

Timmy Shkolnick joins his great-great-grandmother Mrs. Ida Shkolnick at her 100th birthday celebration at the Jewish Home for the Aged. Twenty seven relatives attended the festivities. Mrs. Shkolnick is mother of five, grandmother of nine, great grandmother of 17 and great-great grandmother of four. (CJN Photo by Hoz)

Wife of prisoner pleads for aid from community

By MARK MEDICOFF
CJN Quebec Bureau Chief

MONTREAL -

Polina Korenblitt - whose husband Michael wastes away in a Russian labor camp - spent two days in Canada last week pleading for the Jewish community to maintain its pressure against the Soviet Union.

Her own past, her desperate flight from Leningrad and eventually to Haifa, is more pleasant than the story she recounts of her husband.

His fate is to spend seven years in a political prison camp in the frigid wilds of the Ural Mountains, to have as 'mates' ex-Nazis, and to sew endless pairs of gloves.

If he doesn't meet his quota of gloves, he is denied his five rubles (about $5.00) a month to purchase food - good food to relieve the pain of his ulcer.

"He was arrested," explained Mrs. Korenblitt, who now works as a pharmacist in Israel, "because of his behavior during the interrogations of 1970."

She said he was arrested on October 27, 1970 because he was outspoken during the investigations of the second Leningrad trials.

Korenblitt asserted his Jewishness.

"For this crime he was sentenced to seven years deprivation of freedom with hard labor," she recalls.

She hopes his case will come up for review after half his prison term is completed - but for Michael, a master dentist, his deft fingers will never be the same.

"The Jewish prisoners take good care of each other," said Mrs. Korenblitt who visited her husband only once because the trip takes three weeks.

"But the food they eat is unbearable," she exclaimed, "they get no meat, and the food is often spoiled and decaying, and they receive no medical attention."

According to medical criteria, an average man must consume 3,000 calories per day - but in the Urals the men are permitted to consume no more than 800 calories.

A guest of the Montreal and Toronto Action Committee For Soviet Jewry, she said "I feel very warm for Canada, and it is because of your community that I am now in Israel."

Mrs. Korenblitt was one of several Soviet Jews permitted to leave Russia during the mass demonstrations staged by Canadian Jews during the visit of Premier Kosygin last October.

First for country

Israel international bank opens

TEL AVIV -

One of America's major financial institutions has joined with Israeli interests to launch this country's first international bank.

The First International Bank of Israel opened for business here this week formed by an international group headed by the First Pennsylvania Corporation, the holding company for The First Pennsylvania Banking and Trust Company, the United States' oldest and 19th largest bank. Its founders note that the new enterprise represents a unique combination of one of the world's largest financial services corporations, overseas investors, Israeli banks and investment groups and the Israel government.

The first joint American-Israeli banking venture, the new bank is said to be a major step in paving the way for expanded participation in Israeli business and industry by U.S. firms and individuals.

The First Pennsylvania Corporation is investing $16 million in acquiring 41.6% shares of the new international bank. This is reported to be one of the largest amounts ever invested in a single Israeli enterprise by a foreign commercial body.

John R. Bunting, chairman of the corporation, will visit Israel in November to meet with the management of the new bank.

Other participants include: the Israel government, the Triumph Investment Trust Ltd., of Great Britain; the Baldwin Securities Corporation, U.S., headed by Ira Guilden of New York; Israel Investors Corporation, U.S.; Samuel Rothberg of Peoria, Illinois, and the Mayer Investment Corporation Ltd. of Tel Aviv.

Computer training

JERUSALEM -

The computer age will reach the Israel secondary school system in the next school year, when two high schools will be connected by terminals to the Bar-Ilan University Computer Centre. This is part of an experimental teaching project by the centre and the University's school of education. The connection will be through post office telephone cables.

Pupils will run programs through the computer by means of the terminals. The aim is to promote the use of computers in the teaching of different subjects to third-year high school pupils, and also to teach computer theory. The terminals will be installed in the seventh grade at the Municipal Religious High School in Ramat Gan and the Yeshiva High School at Nachalim.

The university has established a special team to watch the project and to keep check on the progress of pupils and achievements in the use of the new method.

The team has prepared a special study program for teachers in the subjects in which the computer will be used. They are being given an intensive seven-week course in computer theory and the use of computers.

Soviet emigres complete ulpan

RAMAT-GAN -

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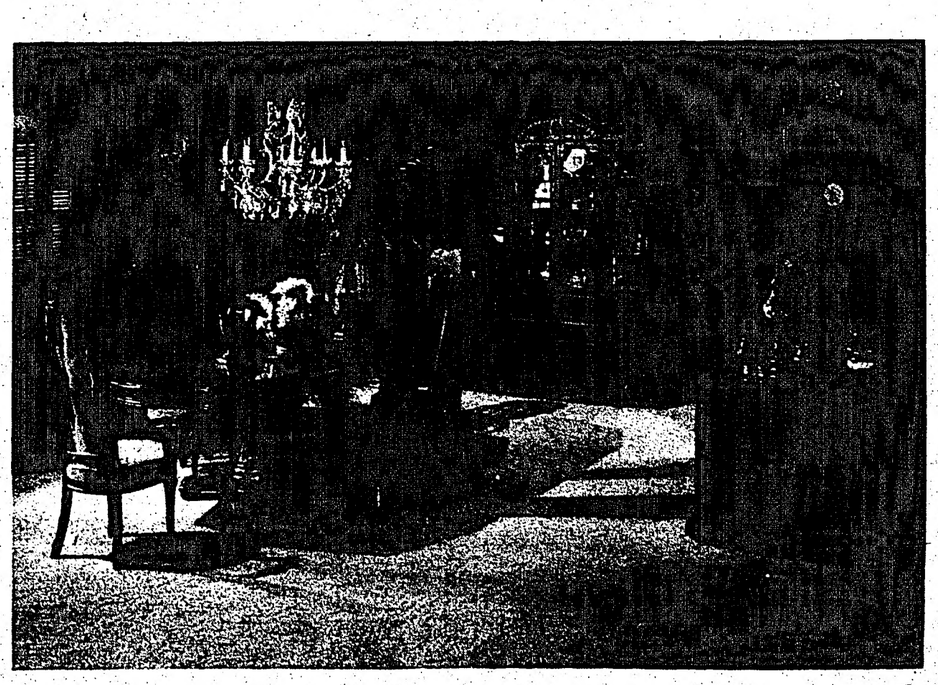
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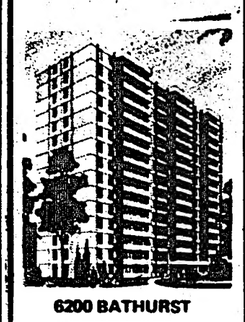
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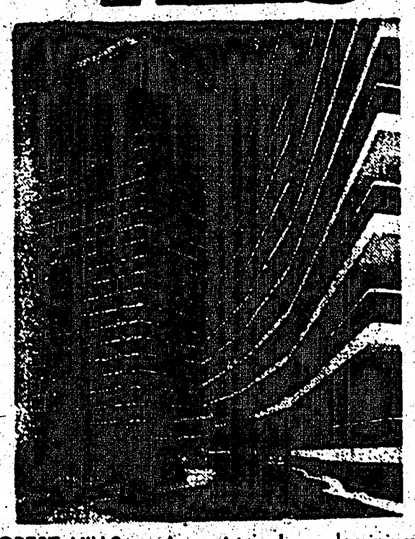
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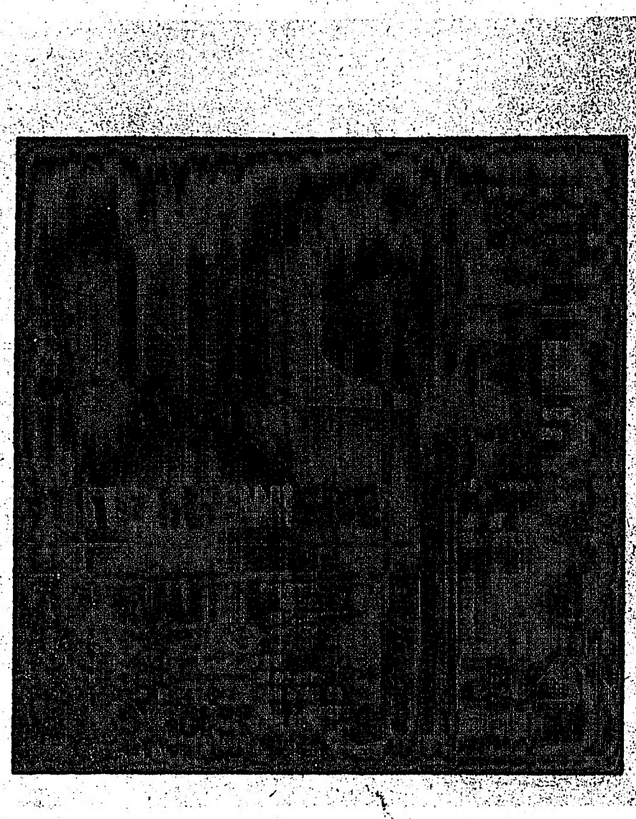

Jack Pollock opens his new gallery at 356 Dundas, opposite the Art Gallery of Ontario, with an exhibition of paintings and prints by Josef Albers. A former teacher at the famed Bauhaus, Albers is famed for his squares, which serve as containers for his rich colors.

Albers collection

Gallery opens with coup

By FRANCES STRAUSS

A long time ago, the city council decided to build a parking lot on the site of Toronto's equivalent of Greenwich Village. The artistic community dispersed, some moving to the Avenue Road-Bloor area, some to elegant Markham Street, some to the not-so-elegant Spadina-College area and some even descended to Jarvis and King.

Jack Pollock may just have begun the next move by opening his new gallery at 356 Dundas Street West, just across the street from the Art Gallery of Toronto. The site is so ideal one wonders why someone didn't think of it before.

Pollock opened his new gallery on a grand note with an artistic coup. He managed to acquire one of the finest and most complete collections of the work of Josef Albers, considered one of the world's greatest living painters. Albers, now 84, was first a student and later a teacher at the Bauhaus School until he was forced to flee the Nazis. The Bauhaus closed in 1933 and Albers came to the United States. He has remained there working on his paintings, all based on his famous **Homage to the Square** concept.

In recent years, Albers' work has become internationally acclaimed, but he has consistently refused exhibitions in private galleries. How Pollock managed to persuade him to honor Toronto remains a mystery, but is also a testimonial to his charm and artistic integrity.

The show is beautifully presented in the new gallery which is currently in the last stages of its metamorphosis from rooming-house to gallery. Also on display, on the second floor, are works featuring young and talented Canadian artists. The building itself will soon expand to include Taylor's, a fine art poster gallery as well as The Gallery Cafe.

Pollock has probably singlehandedly escalated the value of the property in this area. We can predict the birth of a new and exciting artistic colony.

Bill exhibit to open

The Marlborough Godard Gallery announces the opening Oct. 19 of an exhibition of works by the Swiss master, Max Bill. This show will consist of new works, folded surfaces in gilded metal as well as selected recent paintings.

Student and friend of Joseph Albers and others in the Bauhaus movement, Bill has for the past 45 years carried on its principals and is perhaps its' best known pupil and the most productive member of this first generation. He is sometimes called a "universal man", for his work as an architect, sculptor, painter, writer, teacher and even as politician.

This exhibition will offer a complete series of "surfaces", folded shapes of gilded bronze that are three-dimensional in appearance but have only a single two-dimensional surface. He has constantly attempted to solve in his sculpture, with an absolute minimum of compromise, problems of spacial expression. He produces sculpture that stimulates new awareness of space and volume, reaching into the interior of the sculpture itself. The most basic formal laws are expressed in a single self-sufficient work.

Max Bill himself writes: "I think that art is the only thing that does have a chance of creating some sort of counterweight to our technology-ridden, polluted and utterly commercialized consumer society.

Cultural renaissance takes root

By RICK KARDONNE

North American white folk-country music is, from a creative standpoint, one of the most constricted and limited styles to be found anywhere in the world. Musically it is simplistic and rigid; lyrically it can effectively deal with only a few topics, and emotionally it is invariably cold, controlled and self-restrained.

The rigors of the American-Canadian frontier, together with the austere Calvinist puritan doctrines, caused many of the early English and Scotch-Irish pioneers to discard the melodious Elizabethan and Celtic folk-musical heritage from the mother country and retain the barest, most elemental fundamentalist harmonies. The strong campaign against the sensuous which dominated the lives of most of the English-speaking pioneers due to the puritan religion undoubtedly was largely responsible for creating a folk music which was as dry, matter-of-fact and constricted as the rest of their lives. This is why 90% of all American folk tunes use the same three-chord progressions and thus sound almost exactly alike; boring, drab and incredibly elementary.

The puritan imprint is undoubtedly also responsible for the shallowness of most of the love lyrics and the callousness of most of the non-love lyrics of North American white folk-country music. There is simply no warmth, tenderness or sensuousness in country-western love ballads. Of the non-love yarns, approximately four-fifths of them deal with violent death in some form or another. Love that goes wrong is often dealt with in a dry, sometimes humorous manner, with the purpose of masking true emotions of grief; it is in this sphere that North American white folk-country music is often most effective. Songs of social commentary and populist protest remain a comparitively new development that have been more popular in Canada and urban centre in the United States than in Nashville, where George Wallace won 70% of the vote in the last presidential primary.

For a while, many young American Jews, seeking to escape the complexities of urban life to establish some roots in the land, tried to identify with the various forms of North American white country-folk music. Many of them soon found acid rock and Black soul much more compatible to their liking; the "folk purists" soon discovered that Bob Dylan, despite his feverish attempts to sound "hillbilly", never could make it among the folks in West Virginia and Bob Dylan inevitably realized this. These young Jews were barely aware of our own folk music heritage, which is much more diverse, colorful, expressive and sensuous than the North American white folk-country music is ever capable of being; largely because their parents tried to suppress large aspects of it. The greater intensity of Jewish life, which can never be suppressed, caused many of these young Jews to eventually turn to Black soul music and to infuse into white folk music a spirit of social justice (such as Phil Ochs) and social satire (such as Tuli Kupferberg) which is totally alien to Nashville. At last, however, we see the Jewish cultural renaissance beginning to take root, a seeking for authentic creative soul expression that simply cannot be found in Kris Kristofferson, Gordon Lightfoot, or in North American white folk-country music as a whole.

A splendid thriller from Forsythe's pen

By BERNARD BASKIN

THE ODESSA FILE
by Frederick Forsyth
Doubleday of Canada

Frederick Forsyth has done it again. The author of **The Day of the Jackal**, that remarkable runaway world best-seller, has concocted another splendid thriller. It is just as carefully researched, ingeniously plotted, taut with suspense and difficult to put down as the earlier novel.

When an emaciated, facially disfigured, prematurely aged and friendless Jew kills himself one night in Hamburg, Germany, it seems of little consequence. Yet, the terrifying diary that Solomon Tauber left of his harrowing experiences in concentration camps catapults a brash young German reporter into an astonishing world of danger, duplicity and international intrigue.

In search of a sadistic Nazi war criminal, former commandant of the infamous Camp at Riga, Latvia, Peter Miller stumbles on a scheme by an organization of former members of the German SS to perfect deadly rockets for the Egyptian government.

The excitement of the narrative mounts as Miller relentlessly pursues his quarry and comes into possession of the Odessa File which contains the true names and photographs of SS criminals who have changed their identity. Involved in the convoluted story which is acted out against an authentic background of familiar names and actual events is Mossad, the Israeli intelligence service, and a group of well-drawn characters.

From time to time, however, the reader reacts with astonishment as a bomb doesn't go off when it should, when rescuers arrive in the nick of time, and when startling coincidences occur. But it doesn't really matter, the hooked reader plunges breathlessly ahead.

The theme of this entertaining book takes on increased meaning as a result of a recent sociological study which shows that former SS men are even now the elite of modern Germany. They occupy important posts, are "aggressive salesmen", and often wealthy businessmen. Ominously, they look back on their past "with satisfaction".

Professor John Steiner of California whose book on the SS will be published soon believes that the mentality exhibited is not an isolated phenomenon but an everpresent danger and threat.

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